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THE MAY FESTIVAL.

Preparations Almost Complete for the Big Event—250 Voices Will Take Part—Admission Only 25 Cents.

The May Festival at the tabernacle next Thursday and Friday evenings is now the talk of the city. Nearly 100 ticket sellers are at work and everybody is going Preparations are almost complete so far as the singers are concerned. The big stage will be made still larger Monday, drop curtains and decorations arranged etc. etc. The tabernacle will be a scene of activity all the week. The curtain will rise upon 250 singers Thursday evening and the exercises will open with Butterfield's celebrated glee entitled "The Picnic." There will be a complete change of program the second evening—no two numbers alike, and patrons who can't come the first night need not fear a dose of crumbs the second evening, for the program will be just as good if not better than the first. The work of the 150 children who are to render four opperattas will surprise the audience. They have been drilling for several months and are prepared to render their part of the splendid program without a break. Prof. Calvin the director, has given over 400 concerts during his musical career. He is no novice in his profession, but a master of the first rank. At 25 cents there can be no excuse for staying away, and it is therefore expected that the big building will be crowded to the street both nights The reserved seat plat will open Tuesday morning at Otto E. Curtis & Bros.'

ENDEAVOR NEWS.

Christian Endeavorers are now making ready to attend the international convention at San Francisco July 7 to 12. The railroad associations have settled the rate and the form of tickets and all other details in connection with the California excursion No round trip tickets will be sold. The schedule of one way rates from Chicago is $25, from St. Louis $23, from Bloomington $24.

Stopovers will be allowed at and west of Colorado common points also Cheyenne, Trinidad and El Paso. Stopovers also will be allowed on return trip via Portland or Puget sound points. San Francisco Endeavorers are making great preparations to entertain the visiting delegates The citizens and C. E. Union of San Francisco have subscribed $25,000 to defray expenses of this gathering. Their reception committee will number not less than 900.

The first county convention of the series was held last Sunday at Macon and was largely attended and a very helpful day for the Endeavorers. The second convention will be held at Mt. Zion tomorrow and it promises to be one of the best. Quite a number of the Decatur Endeavorers will be present. There will be five societies represented beside the Decatur people The societies invited are Casner, Prairie Hall, New Hope and North Fork. The following program will be given by the representatives of the societies named.

6:30,

Sunrise prayer meeting at 5:30, subject, "C. E. Work and Character Building"—W. S. Smith, Mt. Zion.

10:30.

Opening exercises.
Greeting—J. F. Harbert, Mt. Zion
Response—Miss Carrie E. Knapp, Decatur
Song
Definite Work, its Worth—Miss Cora Ekiss, New Hope.
Discussion.
The Bible; How to Know It; How to Use it—Edward Gayman, Prairie Hall.

2:30.

Song service.
Possibilities of the Christian Endeavor—Miss Ella Meyers, North Fork.
Junior Work—Miss Mabel Hatfield, Decatur.
Committee Work—Mrs. T. T. Van Allen, North Fork.
Missionary Work—Miss Ethel Dimock, Decatur.
Remarks by president of the county C. E. Union, Decatur.

7:30.

Devotional exercises—Led by W. L. Reber, Mt. Zion
The Social Life of Our Young People—Ed Underwood, Casner.
Men Whom God Can Use—C. W. Cloud, New Hope.
Address Christian Citizenship—Rev Arthur Morrison, North Fork.

The third convention will be held in Oreana next Sunday, May 30, the fourth in Warrensburg June 6, Niantic, June 13, and Maroa on June 20.

The Argenta society has elected the following new officers: President, W. W. Kyle; vice president, Mrs. C. B Currier, treasurer, Mrs. Ed Gerber; recording secretary, Mrs. Charles Wilson.

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CHURCH BUSINESS.

Several General Assemblies Continue Their Sessions—Others Assemble.

QUEEN VICTORIA'S BIRTHDAY.

Observed by Salutes and Ringing of Bell—In Honor of the Queen's Jubilee Irish Political Prisoners May be Released.

Lake Ind., May 24.—Today's sessions of the Presbyterian general assembly opened with devotional exercises. Fraternal greetings were received from the convention of the United Brethren at Dubuque, Iowa, and the general assembly of the Southern Presbyterian church at Charleston, S. C. Replies were authorized and greetings sent to the Cumberland assembly and general synod of reformed churches The first regular report submitted was from the board of missions to the freedmen, a summary of which follows:

We are endeavoring to carry on the work within reduced limits with the least possible outlay, and in the interest of economy the board found that there was an increase in the debt of over $25,000 during the past year. This was caused mainly through rebuilding the Mary Holmes seminary which was burned down. All of the seventeen boarding schools had been retained but the terms have been reduced. The board desires that at least $20,000 of the debt be paid off this year. An increase of $11,000 in the income would make this possible.

The bodies contributing to the cause were Churches, 3639; woman's societies, 1[illegible]; young people's societies, 356; Sunday schools 469. The freedmen gave to the support of their own ministers and churches, $35 555 and to the support of their own schools, $32,461.

The second order of the morning was the report of the special committee on home missions, presented by Dr. Wm. H. Kane of Bloomington, Ill., and closed with the recommendations that the board of home missions be directed to reorganize the methods of administration so that the executive work shall be placed in charge of one secretary; that expenditures be made on the basis of estimates made from averages for several years preceding, and that a policy of the board be to avoid a debt.

The board of home missions reported during three fiscal years from '92-93 to '[illegible] there decline in receipts of $218,[illegible] At the beginning of the present fiscal year the board had a debt of $310,[illegible] which has been reduced to $147,000, with other moneys in course of collection which will reduce the net debt to about $121,[illegible] For current work the board received a total of $800,770, nearly $30,0000 which is credited to the women missions. Total contributed by churches, $476,115; legacies bought, $105,589. Reduction of expenditures obtained by cut ten per cent from expenditures in New York and the reduction in amounts apportioned to various presbyteries. Total expenditures for the year, $716,371, of which $650,877 was for missionary and school work.

The reading of the report occupied the remainder of the morning hour, and discussion made a special order for Tuesday afternoon

AMERICAN BAPTISTS.

Missionary Union Assembles at Pittsburg.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 24.—The eighty-third anniversary of the American Baptist Missionary union began this morning The union has charge of all foreign mission work Rev. Henry F. Colby, of Ohio president, was in the chair. The report of the executive committee gave an interesting account of the work done the last year The treasurer's reports showed receipts $467,101, which donation amounted to $278,298; legacies, $45,740; woman's society east, $75,985, woman's society west $[illegible],770 Expenditures: Appropriations for the year, 1896-7, $580,855; added to permanent funds and bond account, $[illegible], debt, April 1, 1896, $168,337; total, $759,823, debt, April, 1897, $89,721 Of money appropriated for the year, $494 531 was for missions, $6810 for district secretaries and agencies and $1749 for executive officers.

The foreign work, it is said, has been faithfully prosecuted, though at great disadvantage, resulting from reduced appropriations The most prominent feature of the year's work is the awakening in China, where a marvelous change has occurred in the disposition and the attitude of the stolid conservative Chinese. It is the conviction of the executive committee that appropriations for the coming year be made on the scale of $600,000 below that of the past year and in years to come the average receipts from all sources for the five preceding years should be adopted as the basis for missionary appropriations. The report recommended that no more missionaries be sent to the field and for a time at least restrict progress.

Rev. Cossum, a missionary to China, protested against the retrenchment in expenses for foreign missions. He created a sensation by declaring the church should not accept money from John D. Rockefeller, or others until they first consecrated themselves to God and made their gift clean.

REFORMED PRESBYTERIANS.

Discuss the Tobacco Question and Finally Refer It.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 24.—The session of the general synod of the Reformed Presbyterian church this morning was enlivened by a heated discussion over the use of tobacco. The question arose over a report of a committee having in charge the bequest of Francis Land for the education of young men for the ministry. The report recommended that no student should receive aid who used tobacco. Dr. Steele of Philadelphia, defended the use of the weed, while a number of delegates strongly opposed him. The matter was finally referred. Prof. Galey of Illinois, then read the report of the board of foreign missions. The report of the committee on Sunday schools showed that the organization was in better shape than ever before. Adjourned.

ALTON'S CHIEF POLICE SHOT.

Dangerously Wounded by Accidental Discharge of a Revolver.

Alton, Ill., May 24.—Chief of Police Jacob Kuhn was shot Saturday by the accidental discharge of his revolver at his home at Sixth and Spring streets. Mr. Kuhn had taken off his coat before eating dinner, and had placed his revolver on a chair with the coat. When he picked up his coat the revolver caught on it and was pulled from the chair to the floor The weapon struck on the hammer and was discharged. The ball struck Chief Kuhn squarely on the knee cap of the left leg, badly shattering it. The ball, after striking the knee cap, passed into his leg and cannot be located. The wound is a dangerous one owing to the liability of blood poisoning, and also the fact that the wounded man was just recovering from the wounds received several months ago while assisting an officer to arrest some burglars.

GOLD SHIPMENTS.

The President Signs the Relief Resolution.

Washington, May 24.—The treasury department received a telegram from New York today that $1,150,000 in gold coin had been withdrawn from the treasury for export; also that $1,295,000 had been obtained from the banks, making a total shipment for tomorrow of $2,400,000.

The resolution appropriating $50,000 for the relief of the distressed Americans in Cuba reached the White House at noon just as soon as it could be sent, after being signed by both houses. The president signed it immediately and will proceed at once to consult the officers of the state department respecting adopting measures of relief.

Carter Leads the Bike Run.

Chicago, May 24.—Mayor Carter H. Harrison, riding a wheel, and escorted by eight officers in knickerbockers, led the annual Sunday run of the Chicago bicycle clubs. The parade started from Thirty-fifth street and Grand boulevard and ended at the loop in Garfield park and was participated in by 3000 cyclists, of whom 150 were of the gentler sex.

The Blythe Estate.

Washington, May 24.—The supreme court dismissed the case of Blythe vs Hinkley involving the estate of Millionaire Blythe of California, for want of jurisdiction. The effect is to leave the property in the possession of Mrs. Hinkley, a daughter of millionaire.

The Queen's Birthday.

London, May 24.—The birthday of Queen Victoria, who was born May 24, 1819, was observed today as usual by a salute, the ringing of church bells and reviews at the different naval military stations. The London celebration occurs Wednesday.

BASE BALL.

National League—May 22.

Cincinnati 12, Baltimore 10.
St. Louis 4, Boston 11.
Louisville 11, Brooklyn 5.
Cleveland 4, New York 3.
Cleveland 2, New York 11.
Chicago 3, Washington 1.
Pittsburg 2, Philadelphia 1.

National League—Sunday Games.

Louisville 14, St. Louis 6.
Brooklyn 6, Cincinnati 4.
Washington 16, Chicago 13.

Western League—May 22.

St. Paul 13, Indianapolis 3.
Kansas City 13, Detroit 13.

Western League—Sunday Games.

St. Paul 14, Indianapolis 7.
Milwaukee 5, Columbus 1.
Grand Rapids 5, Minneapolis 2.
Detroit 8, Kansas City 7.

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Pittsburg	16	7	.696
Boston	15	9	.625
Philadelphia	13	12	.520
Cleveland	12	12	.500
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MURDERED HIS WIFE

Mrs. Nellie Dawson While Sick is Shot by Her Husband.

THE MURDERER MAKES HIS ESCAPE

The Mother Killed While Her Little Son was by Her Side and a Daughter Knelt in Mute Terror.

Chicago, May 24.—John Dawson shot his young wife Sunday afternoon while she lay ill in bed in their home, 80½ Halsted street. Her 3-year-old boy was by her side and her 5 year-old daughter knelt near the bed, both terrified by the deed. Mrs. Dawson died before medical help could arrive. The shooting followed a quarrel, and the husband's jealousy was assigned by neighbors as a motive. The murderer ran out of the house with the smoking revolver in his hand, hurling aside J. Miller, who tried to stop him, and rushed into the alley, where he threw away his empty weapon, ran through a neighboring building to the street and escaped.

Dawson, an Englishman by birth, married his wife, then Miss Nellie Straight, a farmer's daughter, at her home near Lincoln, Neb., eight years ago. So far as their neighbors know they lived happily together, though often pinched for the necessaries of life, until within the last few weeks. They were then eking out the husband's wages as a tile layer in the new library building by taking roomers in their flat. Three weeks ago the couple quarreled, the husband, it is said, having threatened to put all the roomers into the street, and the wife had him arrested on a charge of disorderly conduct. This caused a separation.

Mrs. Dawson had sent for her husband on account of the boy's illness. The shooting followed her refusal to live with him again.

THIRTY MEN BENEATH DEBRIS.

Rosena Furnace at New Castle, Pa., Lets Go With Serious Results.

Newcastle, Pa., May 24.—Yesterday morning the big Rosena furnace in this city, owned by Senator Mark Hanna and ex-Senator Cameron, let go, and the next instant a heavy volume of coke, iron ore and coal came crashing through the roof of the casting house, burying in the neighborhood of thirty men under the debris.

Manager Reis was taken out with the skin hanging in shreds from his hands and arms, and his legs were terribly burned and bruised. The others injured are.

Samuel Moody burned and bruised all over body.

Mike Petro, head cut in half dozen places and bruises and burned about the hands and arms.

William Hanna, head cut and arms almost severed by falling sheet iron.

Joseph Love, head a mass of cuts, laying the skull bare in three places.

Frank Sheard, head badly cut, legs bruised, back burned and arms terribly burned. His injuries are very bad, and may result in death.

Half a dozen other men were also more or less injured, but the above are the worst cases.

The second accident of the day occurred about twenty minutes after the one at the Rosena furnace. It was a cave-in at the big 70 foot cut of the Newcastle Traction company, that is engaged in making a track to the new Cascade park. Michael Kurdy was buried under at least 75 feet of sand, gravel, clay and rocks, and was dead when taken out. Peter Herinsky was terribly crushed about the shoulders and hips, while his chest was crushed. He will likely live.

Kansas Gypsum Deposits.

Abilene, Kan., May 24.—Prof. E. A. Haworth of the geological department of the state university, with his aids, is studying the gypsum deposits of this and adjoining counties for a forthcoming report. He will spend the entire summer preparing an extensive report on the coal and gypsum deposits of the state under the auspices of the state geological survey. "The people of Kansas," said Prof. Haworth, "do not realize the magnitude of their riches in this direction. The proposed tariff on gypsum is of the greatest importance to the state. The hard plaster has practically driven the old form of soft plaster out of the building trades of the nation. But with Canadian and foreign gypsum laid down at the New York mills so cheap our Kansas market is restricted to the territory this side of Chicago, where we have an advantage in freight rates. If as Senator Baker proposes, we could have a tariff of $2 a ton on gypsum it would mean a business of $3,000,000 to $5,000,000 a year for Kansas, and it is in my opinion the most important thing Kansas has at stake in the

with the murder of J. B. Massey, a saloonkeeper of Princeton, Ind., on the night of April 30, 1897. Massey was closing his saloon for the night when he was struck on the head with a baseball bat. He was robbed of $15 and a watch and beaten terribly. He died at his home soon afterward.

Evidence pointed to Hedgepath who left Princeton three days after the deed was committed. He claims to be a cousin of Marion Hedgepath, the train robber, who is serving a term in a penitentiary in Missouri, and pleads innocence.

COL. T. H. ROSSER DEAD.

He Was a Missourian Before the War and Served the South.

Montgomery, Ala., May 24.—Colonel T. H. Rosser of Dallaston died at the sanitarium in this city last night in the 80th year of his age. He was born in Fayetteville, N. C., in 1818, and moved to Mississippi in young manhood. He was a participant in the John Brown troubles in Kansas, and one of his sons was killed by Brown's forces. At the breaking out of the war he enlisted as a private in the first Missouri Confederate regiment, and was made lieutenant colonel at once, and when he reached headquarters he was placed in command of the regiment. The same day the union forces from Kansas City gave him battle and he was victorious Colonel Rosser commanded infantry and artillery forces in the battles of Carthage, Springfield, Lexington and Drywood, in Missouri. In the battle of Pea Ridge, in Arkansas, he was in command of 2d brigade of confederate troops, and at its close General Sterling Price presented him with his sword, which he has preserved and cherished. He was commandant at Memphis until the fall of Fort Pillow, and was transferred to Alabama just prior to the close of the war. For many years he has resided on his plantation near Dallaston. He leaves a widow.

SPANISH CABINET TROUBLES.

Ministry to Appear Before the Cortes and Make Explanations.

Madrid, May 24.—The position of the cabinet is the theme of most anxious discussion on all sides. Some of the government organs urged the ministry to meet the cortes today, endeavor to secure the adoption of such bills as are pressing and then suspend the session as soon as possible. Others think a change of policy expedient, and, in fact, inevitable.

All admit the difficulty of appointing a colorless ministry to carry on the business of the country. The cabinet sat in council Sunday evening until 8 o clock and it was decided to appear before the cortes today and give explanations of the Tetuan-Comas incident of Friday last, even if the liberals should absent themselves.

A special committee of the chamber of deputies will be instructed to consider the budget bill.

Lost Bridge Still Lost.

The meeting of the highway commissioners Saturday afternoon was one of special interest as a vote was taken on the proposition to raise the embankments leading to the old Priest bridge, known by many as the Lost Bridge, that the bridge might be useful the year round for the people. Part of the expense would have to be borne by Wheatland township, not more than $350. The three commissioners from that township were at the meeting. They voted solidly against the proposed improvement while the Decatur commissioners voted in the affirmative. The bridge is one of the best structures on the Sangamon. It is between the Cowford and Maffit bridges and leads to the Meriweather place The trouble with the bridge is the insufficient approach on the Decatur end of the bridge.

At All Angel's Church.

At the morning service at All Angel's Episcopal church Sunday the infant child of Mrs. John Kytchen was baptised by the rector, Rev. Bedford-Jones. Next Thursday being Ascention Day services will be held at 8 o'clock in the morning and at 7:30 o'clock in the evening.

This evening the young ladies of the gymnasium class will give an exhibition in the guild hall of All Angel's church. The entertainment will be for ladies only and an admission of ten cents will be charged.

Jacob Ziegler, Sr.

Bloomington, Ill., May 24.—Jacob Ziegler, sr., died Saturday night at his home in Bloomington, aged 96, being one of the oldest men in central Illinois. He was ill less than one week. He was a native of Bavaria, Germany, and came to Ohio with his family in 1852. In 1858 he moved to a farm near Normal.

Romeyn's Sentence Remitted.

Washington, May 24.—The president today remitted the sentence of dismissal imposed by the court martial on Captain Romeyn, Fifth infantry, for assault on Lieutenant O'Brien of the same regiment at Fort McPherson, Ga. Romeyn will retire by operation of law June 1.

Attorney Creamer Drops Dead.

Tolono, Ill., May 24.—Attorney Edward G. Creamer of Bloomington, Ill., dropped dead at 6:30 o'clock last evening at the home of his parents, Mr and Mrs. E. C. Creamer of Tolono whom he has been

POWER IS SUPREME

The President Has Legal Power to Remove Officials.

TERMS CAN BE LESS THAN FOUR YEARS

Decision of the United States Supreme Court Given To-Day—Inter-State Commerce Commission Cannot Fix R. R. Rates.

Washington, May 24.—The United States supeme court today rendered a decision which declares that the interstate commerce commission has no power to prescribe rates on railroads. The court also decides the case of L. E Parsons, late district attorney for northern Alabama. He was removed from office in '93, having been appointed for four years in 1889. He refused to recognize the power of the president to remove him before the expiration of his term, and fought the case through the various courts. All decisions up to and including the supreme court being against him. Today's decision has been looked forward to with interest, because of the possible effect on the removal of office holders incident to the changed administration. C. S. Wright of Pittsburg, Pa., was granted rebates on beet pay for drayage. The lower court held this to be a violation of the provisions of the interstate commerce law for bidding discrimination. The supreme court rendered a decision affirming that of the lower court.

The decision is construed to mean that the commission has no power to pass on railroad rates before put into effect.

House.

Congressman McMillan of Tennessee, introduced a resolution for the consideration of the senate resolution, recognizing the belligerency of Cuban insurgents, from day to day till disposed of. It was referred to the committee on rules, but it is not likely that the committee will consider it. A majority of leaders will decide when it is proper to act on it.

NEW TOLL LINE.

Telephone Connections from Decatur to Tuscola Were Made Saturday.

There are new telephone connections between Decatur and Tuscola. The Interstate Telephone company has put up a line and in this city it connects with the Citizens' Mutual company. The connection was made Saturday evening and a number of persons talked to the officers of the company at Tuscola. In a short time the line will be open to the public. The toll line is a good one and it is as easy to talk to a person in Tuscola as it is to talk to anyone in Decatur. The voice is heard as clearly as when talking in the city and more so than in some cases. When the interstate company has finished their work it will be possible to talk to the towns between here and Tuscola and also to Champaign, Danville and about fifty other places on the other side of Tuscola. The line runs out East William street from Decatur and follows the I., D. & W. railroad to Tuscola.

Funeral of Clay Depew.

The funeral of the late H. Clay Depew was held this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock from the family residence at the corner of North Edward and Green streets. The services were in charge of Macon lodge. No. 8, A. F. and A. M. Rev. D. R. MacGregor officiated, and Rev. D. F Howe preached a funeral sermon The music was rendered by the Arion quartett composed of Messrs. Brown Bunn, Cibison and Montgomery. The members of Post K. T. P. A., the Masons, the members of Dunham Post, No. 141, G. A. R all attended in a body. The burial was at Greenwood cemetery. The active pall bearers were the following: I. A. Buckingham, Will Carter W. J Logan, J. D. Templeton, C. L. Hovey and James Sheneral The honorary pall bearers were the following members of the G. A. R.: I. N Martin, Martin Davis Harry Fisk, D. A. Reeme, O. Manning and J. C. Lingle.

PERSONAL AND IMPERSONAL.

—Henry Labouchere, M. P., the proprietor of London Truth, complains that he has spent £40,000 in successfully defending vexatious actions for libel brought against him.

—Emile Erckmann, the noted collaborator with Chatrain in many novels and plays, is not dead, as is generally supposed, but is living in retirement in the village of Luneville, near his native place.

—The new woman has evidently reached Pueblo, Col., for the Daily Chieftain has an advertisement reading thus: "Wanted—By competent woman, a place to work for her husband's board."

—The sugar planters of southern Louisiana are contributing molasses for the relief of the sufferers from the drought, that they may sweeten their cornmeal therewith, and it is proving a palatable addition to the very slim diet

MARKET REPORT.

BY B. Z. TAYLOR.

Chicago, May 24.—Wheat opened where it quit Saturday, and moved around the opening for a time, advanced, and then dropped, etc, etc, ad lib, the price seesawing all day. The trade was light and the market was almost dull, and wholly inactive. There was news each way. The spring wheat crop advices were bearish, and the northwestern receipts loomed up big at 631 cars. The world's shipments were large, being 7,168,000 bushels of wheat. The world's shipments to Europe were 6,880,000 bushels against 6,160,000 bushels the week previous. London was firm for cargoes off coast, and consols, money and account, were at 113½. Liverpool was steady and ¾d higher for wheat at the beginning, and later was ¾ and 1d higher. The imports of wheat to the United Kingdom were reported at 512 000 bushels of which 312,000 bushels were from Atlantic ports. The wheat afloat increased as follows To United Kingdom, 96,000 bushels; to Continent, 140,000 bushels. There was a total increase on passage of 1,520,000 bushels. France demanded some attention today, the crop estimate from that country making the yield some 60,000 000 bushels less than last year. Paris was closely watched, and its advance of 15 and 20 cents on wheat and 35 and 40 cents on flour, was confirmation of the damage claims from there Saturday. Of the 6 cars of wheat received in Chicago this morning, none graded. With Baltimore, the lakes, the canals, and New York from which to hear, the visible showed a decrease of 1,900,000 bushels but the last figures showed the decrease to be 1,441,000 bushels, against a decrease of 1,848,000 bushels. The decrease was regarded somewhat bearishly, as a decrease of 2,[illegible]00,000 bushels had been expected Totals: 1896, 51,298,000 bushels. 1897. 28,296,000. Minneapolis got 324 cars of wheat today, and Duluth got 297, a total of 621, against 550 (Minneapolis 260, Duluth 284) a week ago, and 593 (Minneapolis 328 Duluth 265) a year ago. Market was virtually between privileges all day.

Corn, opened where it left off Saturday Trade small, market dull, no features, nothing doing. Visible decreased, [illegible],000, against 1,162,000 bushels a year ago. Totals: 1896 7,990,000 bushels, 1897, 11,475,000 bushels. Total clearances—Wheat, 133,429, flour, 13,290; wheat and flour, 192,000; corn, 82,370.

Oats narrow and inclined downward. Visible decreased 1,037 000 vs. 275,000 a year ago. 1896, 7,615,000, bushels; 1897, 8,839,000. Dull.

Provisions opened a little lower, but were steady to firm to strong in spite of lower hogs and big receipts. Trade, small, market not active.

Visible Supply of Grain.

Chicago, May 24.—The visible supply of grain is. Wheat, 28 996,000 bushels; corn, 11.547,000; oats, 8,889,000, rye, 2,898,000; barley, 1,024,000.

Chicago.

Chicago, May 24.—Live poultry, steady; turkeys, 7 and 8; chickens, 7 and 7½; ducks, 8.

Peoria.

Peoria, May 24.—Corn, active, steady, new No. 2, 23½.

Oats, quiet, irregula; No. 2 white 20 and 22.

Rye, dull, nominal.

St. Louis.

St. Louis, May 24.—Wheat cash 90; July 74¼.

Corn, cash 22¼, July 22⅝.

Oats, cash, 20; July 18¼.

New York.

New York, May 24.—July wheat, 77½. Corn, 29⅝. Oats 22½.

Chicago.

Chicago, May 24.—Butter firm; creameries, 11 and 14½; dairies, 7 and 12, eggs, firm, 10.

Cheese, weak; twins 7½; young Americas, 7½.

CHICAGO, Ill., May 24.

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
May	—	—	—	73⅞
July	72	72⅞	71⅞	71⅞
Sept	67⅛	67⅞	66⅞	66⅞
Corn—				
May	—	—	—	24⅞
July	24⅛	24⅞	24⅜	24⅞
Sept	25⅜	25⅜	25⅜	25⅜
Oats—				
May	—	—	—	17⅞
July	18	18	17⅞	17⅞
Sept	18	18⅛	17⅞	18
Pork—				
July	8 15	8 25	8 10	8 17½
Lard				
July	3 75	3 75	3 72	3 77
Ribs				
July	4 47½	4 50	4.45	4 50

July wheat: Puts, 70¼; Calls, 71¼. Corn, 71⅛.

To-Day's Receipts—Car Lots.

Wheat—6. Estimated, 30. Year ago, 16.
Corn—471; Estimated, 625, a year ago, 425.
Oats—432; Estimated, 425, a year ago, 310.

Estimates for To-Morrow.

Wheat, 13, Corn, 850; Oats, 615.

Hogs.

Hog receipts, 51,000, estimated 45,000.
Market 5 to 10c lower.
Light $3.60@3.77; Mixed, $3 60@3.75, Heavy, $3.60@3.72, Rough, $3.60@3.50.
Estimated for to-morrow, 35,000.

Cattle.

Cattle receipts, 18,500. Market steady, 10c lower.

The County Court.

In the county court today the further hearing of evidence in the assumpsit case of Daniel O'Brien vs W. W. Conard was deferred until Wednesday. The jurymen are H. D. Cloyd, C. L. Webb, A. Herman, Wm. Williams, James E. [illegible] and Samuel Da[illegible] Duran, W. F.

GREEK REFUSAL.

Will Not Treat with the Turks Direct but Will Depend on the Powers

THEY SO REPLY TO EDHEM PASHA.

The Von Tausch Trial Begun in Berlin This Morning—Grows Out of the Sensational Luezow-Lockers Trial.

Athens, May 24.—The Greek government in reply to notification by Edhem Pasha that he was empowered to negotiate terms of peace, informed the ministers of the powers as Greece had already confided its interest to the powers there was no reason why she should negotiate directly with Turkey.

Von Tausch Trial Begins.

Berlin, May 24.—The trial of Von Tausch, former commissioner of secret police who was arrested last December at the close of a sensational Luetzow-Lockers trial began today Tausch testified of the relative employment of Von Luetzow and the newspaper man named Schumann by the secret political police and assured the court that he (Von Tausch) never caused any political interviews to be served by his agents.

EDHEM PASHA'S NEW POWERS.

Instructed to Negotiate the Terms of Peace with Greece Direct.

Athens, May 24.—It is reported here semi-officially that Edhem Pasha, commander of the Turkish army in Thessaly, has informed the Greek officers who, in conjunction with the Turkish officers, are arranging the neutral zone, that he is empowered to negotiate the terms of peace with Greece direct. He is now preparing for the appointment of a Greek plenipotentiary to conclude the arrangement of terms. M. Delyannis, former premier and minister, has been [illegible] the Cretan [illegible]

General Smolenski [illegible] to the Athenian newspapers [illegible] he ordered a retreat except in [illegible] of the commands of Crown Prince Constantine, and adding:

"I earnestly beg you not to publish inaccurate statements calculated to stir dissensions in the army."

He also denies that any guns fell into the hands of the enemy during the retreats from Revan and Velestino.

The Berthet column (Italian) [illegible] on coming here several of the volunteers refusing to return to Italy on the grounds that they are liable to arrest as deserters. The government has decided that the column must return to Italian territory, but will undertake to board and lodge those liable to arrest

Owing to the disquietude caused by the presence in the city of large bodies of volunteers the government has hastily recalled the force of gendarmes sent to Arta and will take measures to deport the dangerous allies to their various [illegible] at the earliest possible date.

Most of the volunteers making for Berthet [illegible] government [illegible] to allow them to [illegible] they insisted on the [illegible] ernment sent them from [illegible] and there disarmed them [illegible] leave for Italy in [illegible] upon they began [illegible] excesses and got [illegible] habitants, with [illegible] Ian was killed [illegible] wounded. [illegible] trouble they [illegible] escort of two [illegible] were sent to Brindisi [illegible] ck men-of-war.

Wm Upper [illegible] Dalton City. Thursday [illegible] visited in Decatur Friday. [illegible] Hayes [illegible] Louis Friday night [illegible] urned home [illegible] sending [illegible] where he has [illegible] W D G McCl[illegible] St Louis Wednesday [illegible] returned home [illegible] taking treatment [illegible] day where he [illegible] for a cancer. Miss Pearl A[illegible] Saturday and Sunday [illegible] of Bethany [illegible] day here visiting [illegible] J F Smith of [illegible] ing a p[illegible] Charleston, Ill., [illegible] will look [illegible] a gallery here [illegible] few weeks. H Y[illegible] Brown is home [illegible] addition [illegible] Coy's house. Dr B. [illegible] visiting in [illegible] Mr S[illegible] Mis[illegible] Jasey was home [illegible] and Jennie [illegible] friends [illegible] ur Monday. Geo[illegible] Frank [illegible] ed for [illegible] Tuesday [illegible] visit [illegible] a few weeks [illegible]

QUEER DOG WITH QUEER NAME.

Smudge McGinnis, Born Without a Tail, Sat Upon in Dog Society.

"Smudge McGinniss is a queer name for a dog, but Smudge, you must remember, is a queer dog," said Drifter, whose whistle had summoned to his side a glossy, black, sharp-nosed, long-eared terrier without the vestige of a tail.

"There is a dog that deserves the sympathy of his kind, and of the monarchs of creation, too," continued Drifter. "Smudge McGinniss, without a tail, can do more wagging in gratitude for a kindly word or a passing caress than a whole dog show of brutes proud in the possession of ornate caudal appendages. He knows that nature in an unkind moment cast him in an unfinished mold. He goes but little in dog society, for there are no other Schipperkes on our block, and no other breed of dogs bereft of tails has come under my notice, except the old or early English sheep dog, and that breed there are none nearer than some kennels down on Long Island.

"The big St. Bernard next door, the pudgy pug across the street, and even the black and tan in the yard back of ours, move in a different set. Smudge knows this. He can detect a sneer of doggy disdain as quickly as you or I can size up a full hand. At such times when my tailless pet has been cut direct by a more complete dog poor Smudge mopes and pines like a debutante shut out from the finest function of the season. He will sneak into my den, crouch in a dark corner, and, to the best of his ability, hide the spot where mother nature struck him her rudest blow. If I am around Smudge crawls to my feet, raises his voice in lamentation, and palpably calls for sympathy. Then if I am not too busy I have a romp with the black unfortunate, and all goes well until I say:

"'Good Smudge; where's your tail?'

"That fills poor Smudge's cup of sorrow. He casts a glance at his denuded headquarters, his ears droop, and sadly he backs away as if to hide his shame from his close friend. Smudge craves affection. Callers always receive a welcome from him, but let one remark: 'Oh, what a funny dog. Why, he hasn't any tail,' and Smudge disappears until that caller departs.

"One of our neighbors owns a beautiful greyhound. When that dog put in an appearance Smudge saw at once that he was de trop, for the women forlks rushed over Sappho's dainty legs, lovely neck, and exquisite tail. My lonely and unlovely Schipperke emulated Mark Twain by slinking. For several days he refused to be coaxed into a romp. Sappho called again. I ordered Smudge to my feet and read the riot act. I said:

"'Smudge McGinniss, you're the finest, handsomest dog of your size in the world. Brace up and show how you can sing.'

"That dog eyed me warily. He saw honesty in my countenance and encouragement in my glance. All his tricks were gone through and encored, and for once and all Smudge McGinniss found out that in his master's eyes the faithful dog without a tail stands ace high even if he cannot enter in a wagging contest."—N. Y. Sun.

A GIANT IN TROUBLE.

When a Big Man Gets Sick It Is Funny.

It was after the medical association had adjourned the other night that the gruff old doctor called several of his professional brethren into a corner and told his story.

"Never had a pleasanter case in my life," he chuckled. "You know what a big, powerful fellow Sems is. Never was sick a day and had always denied the idea that pain was a thing to make such a fuss over as is made by some people. Even his wife and children never got any sympathy from him and he was always ready to give them a good going-over for not displaying more stoicism.

"Tuesday morning about two o'clock there was a terrific ringing at my telephone. On answering it I was urged by a frightened voice to hasten to Sems as quickly as possible. It was a case of life and death. Getting there post haste I found that great big fellow walking the floor in his night robe, groaning so that he could be heard anywhere in the block, growling out orders to the whole household, looking pale as a ghost, and stopping every few minutes to hold up one foot while he howled. His head was encircled in towels and one side of it steamed with poultices. He sailed into me for not getting there sooner, said that half the people died while waiting for a doctor, worried his wife because she hadn't guessed enough to tell him that he had toothache, yelled on and then told her to call a lawyer so he could put his affairs into shape. I vetoed this until we found out whether there was anything the matter.

"'What thing the matter?' echoed Sems. 'Great heavens! man, the side of my head's coming off. I can't last till daylight in this torture. No man ever endured such agony. If you going to do anything do it quick. My own opinion is that I'm done for, and he let out the howl of the night. What do you think was the matter with the big calf? Just common, old-fashioned earache. Our little girl had had it and gone to school with a piece of cotton in her ear. I fixed him up and then she happened to prick his finger, skin or bump his shin against a chair and he hesitate to call me out. Indeed there was a blizzard."—Phila. Ledger.

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A good ear of sweet corn should never be thrown away. Even if only one or two ears are left at a time, the kernels may be cut and scraped from the cob, and thoroughly dried by spreading out on paper or tins in the sun, or in a very slow oven. As they are dried, store in paper bags for use, when it can be soaked overnight and then stewed like fresh corn. If dried, it is better than almost any corn that can be bought. It is a gradual saving, for a bit for the [illegible]

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Silks.

Remnants of Wash Silks and Printed Japanese Silks at 15c yd.

Fancy Plaid and Striped Silks at 39c yd.

Choice White Brocade Silks, original value 65 and 75c, at 49c.

50 pieces short length Black Silks including Satin Duchess, Pea de Sois and Moires, at 58c yd.

100 pieces of choice Fancy Silks suitable for waist or trimming, 75c, regular value $1 and $1.25.

Fancy Taffeta Silks, extra heavy, in dark colors, all extra fine quality for dresses, at 88c yd.

Plaid and Shaded Taffeta Silks at 65 and 75c yd.

All Silk Black Grenadines at 88c yd.

Black Dress Goods.

50 pieces Black Dress Goods, 38 and 40 inch wide, in choice Brocades and Brilliantines, at 25c yd, regular value 40c yd.

25 pieces 42-inch Black Brocades, all wool, at 38c yd, regular value 50c yd.

1 lot of 44-inch All Wool Brocades, extra choice patterns, at 43c yd. This quality sold early at 60c yd.

50 pieces of Finest Black Dress Goods in 48 and 50 inch widths, at 75c, regular price $1 and $1.25.

Colored Dress Goods.

Fancy Wool Mixed and All Wool Challies in short lengths at 10c yd.

Best quality All Wool Challies at 19c yd. This quality sold early at 35c yd.

Fancy Plaid Dress Goods in checks and stripes, 27 inches wide, at 9c yd.

40-inch Dress Goods in light summer colors, at 11c yd.

42-inch All Wool Checks for skirts and suits at 29c yd, regular value 50c yd.

50 pieces of finest All Wool Fancy Dress Goods, 44 to 48 inches wide, at 50c yd, early price on this lot 75c, 90c and $1 yd.

1 lot of choice Dress Patterns, new designs, original price $8, $10 and $12 each, marked at $5 each, including silk and wool mixtures.

$14 and $15 Dress Patterns, this season's latest purchases, marked down to $8 each.

Domestics.

Bales of Unbleached Muslins at 3c yd.

Boxes of 36-inch Bleached Muslin at 4c yd.

Finest Bleached Muslins, soft finish, at 6c yard.

Cases of Unbleached Sheetings 2¼ yards wide, at 10c yd.

Remnants of Sheeting 2¼ yards wide, in the best grades made, at 15c yd.

42-inch Pillow Tubing 12½c.

45-inch Pillow Tubing 13½c.

42-inch Pillow Cases made up at 8c each.

Made up Sheets 2¼ yards wide at 35c each.

Hemstitched Pillow Cases, extra good quality, 45-inch, at 15c.

Towelings.

Bales of Bleached Twill Crash at 3c yd.

1,000 yards of fine Linen Bleached Crash Toweling at 8c yd.

1,000 yards of Bleached All Linen Crash 22 inches wide, at 10c yd.

65 dozen All Linen Hemstitched Towels at 8c each.

50 dozen All Linen Huck Towels, fringed, size 22x[illegible] at 12½c each.

Table Linens and Napkins

Extra value in All Linen Table Damask, 54 to 66 inches wide, at 33c yd.

72-inch All Linen Heavy Damask, the greatest value shown, at 44c yd.

72-inch Bleached All Linen Satin Damask worth $1, at 75c yd. Napkins to match this line in 22 inch size at $2 dozen.

1 lot of White Bed Spreads, full size, at 35c each.

100 dozen All Linen fine Napkins, a $1.50 quality, at 88c doz.

50 dozen All Linen Napkins at 68c dozen.

Red Table Damask at 10c yard, 54 in. wide.

1 case of linen colored Printed Dimities at 4c yard.

Wash Goods.

2,000 yards of Organdies, choice new patterns, early price 20c, now marked 10c yd.

2,500 yards Printed Mulls on black ground, regular 20c grade, at 9c yd.

1 case of Printed Linen Swisses in very pretty colors, worth 20c yard, at 7c yd.

36-inch finest and best Percales for Shirt Waists, the regular 12½c quality at 9c yd. Cheaper grades at 7 and 8c yd.

Millinery.

Ladies' and Misses' White Milan Sailor Hats at 25c each.

50 White Leghorn Hats, trimmed, at $1.98 each.

Ladies' Suits.

$6.50 ladies' suits, all wool cloth Eton Jacket, lined skirt for $3.95.

One lot fine Tailor Made suits in Broadcloth Serge, Brilliantine Covert Cloth and Fancy Scotch Mixtures, were $10, $12,50 and $13.50 for $7.75. We make the necessary alterations without charge.

Separate Skirts at $1.50, $2 and $3.

One lot fine Separate Skirts, were $10 and $12, for $6.50 each.

Separate Linen Skirts for $1 each.

Waists.

One lot of fine quality Percale Shirt Waists made up last season to sell at 75c, for 25c.

One lot of fine Percale and Madras waists made up last season to sell at $1 and $1.50, in this sale for 50c each. Fine Lawn and Madras waists very latest and best styles, collars and cuffs separate at 50c, 75c and $1.

The celebrated Marquise waist in Lawn, Madras and Silk $1 up to $6.50 each.

Choice Wash Silk Shirt Waists at $2.75 each.

Printed Foulard Silk Shirt Waist at $3 each.

Changeable Taffeta Silk Waists in all colors $4.50 and $5.

Wash Wrappers, a large line to offer. We have a special Bargain at 98c, 4 yards wide Calico and Lawn.

A choice line of girls' Serge Dresses, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12 years at $3.50, $5 and $7.50 each, made as well as our ladies' suits.

Ribbed Vests.

1 box ladies' fine Swiss Ribbed Vests, great value 4c each.

1 box ladies' fine Egyptian Cotton Vests, with full taped neck and shoulders, 8c.

One lot ladies' Union Suits 38c each.

Gents' Furnishings.

During this sale we want to close out a lot of Gents' furnishing goods, as we have no space to show the line.

One lot men's Linen Collars, heavy three-ply linen for 5c each.

One lot men's Striped British half hose, worth 25c for 15c pair.

One lot of Men's Half-hose, fine gauge cotton, worth 20c for 12½c.

One lot of Men's 25c Suspenders for 15c.

One lot of Gniots Suspenders for 38c a pair.

Men's Wool Sweaters, worth $1.50, for 75c.

Men's fine Worsted Sweaters, worth $2 for $1.

Men's Worsted Golf Hose and Bicycle Leggins, worth $1, for 50c.

1 case men's Egyptian Cotton Undershirts and Drawers, finished seams, knitted cuffs, regular price 40c, for 25c each.

1 case men's Balbriggan Shirts and Drawers, French taped, pearl buttons, very fine gauge at 45c each.

25 dozen men's Unlaundered White Shirts, linen front and cuffs, body of fine, heavy, soft muslin at 25c each.

Men's Negligee Shirts, silk striped Madras, worth $1.50 for $1.

Curtains.

One lot 3 yd. Nottingham Curtains for 75c pair.

One lot 3½ yd. $2 Lace Curtains for $1.48 pair.

One lot 3½ yd. $3.50 Lisle Net Curtains for $2.48 pair.

One lot Irish Point and Brussels Net Curtains, 3½ yds. long, worth $5 for $3.45 pair.

One lot, 12 styles of $10 and $12 fine Irish Point, Point De Sprit, Brussels Net and Swiss Tambour Curtains, about 100 pairs to close at $6.95 a pair.

One lot of 44-inch Scrim Net, 5c yard.

One lot 44-inch Dotted Swiss Drapery for 5c yd.

One lot 36-inch Printed Silkoline, 5c.

One lot 50-inch Derby Damask for heavy drapery 38c yd, all colors.

One Hundred Ladies' and Gentlemen's 26-inch Otto Miller Silk Gloria Umbrellas, Acacia wood and Dresden Handles, worth $1.50 each for $1

We are closing out our Foster Lacing Kid Gloves and offer the 5-hook "William" or $1 quality for 75c, 5-hook "Fowler" or $1.50 for 98c, all colors and sizes.

Notions.

Fancy Silk Garter Elastic, worth 25c, now 10c.

We will close out a lot of Sterling Silver Belt Pins worth 25 and 35c, now 10c.

Barbour's Black Linen Thread, worth 5c, now 2c

Stockinet Dress Shields (the best in the world) No. 2 worth 25c, now 12½c.

Stockinet Dress Shields (the best in the world), No. 3 worth 30c, now 15c.

Kid Curlers worth 5c, now 3c.

Kid Curlers worth 10c, now 5c.

Kid Curlers (extra large) worth 25c, now 10c.

Black Silk Belts worth from 50c to 75c, now 25c.

Metal Belts, oxidized, silver and gilt, worth 50c, now 25c.

Metal Belts, gilt or silver, worth $1.00, now 39c.

Leather Belts worth 25c, now 10c.

Hand Mirrors worth 25c, now 10c.

Shopping Bags, leather covered, worth 50c, now 25.

Cupid Hair Pins worth 5c, now 1c a dozen.

5 Hook Corset Clasp, white or drab, worth 10c, now 5c.

White Goods.

We have bought too many White Goods, and now they go at the following prices:

India Linen (nice sheer quality) worth 10c, now 5c.

India Dimity " " " worth 10c, now 5c.

French Organdie " " worth 22c, now 10c.

French Organdie " " worth 25c, now 12½c

French Organdie " " worth 30c, now 15c.

English Long Cloth (12 yds in a piece), now $1.25 a piece.

French Nainsook worth 18c, now 10c.

French Nainsook worth 20c, now 12½c.

Dotted Swiss worth 18c, now 10c.

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Dotted Swiss worth 30c, now 18c.

We are also overstocked in Fine Organdies and Paris Muslin, 48 in. and 2 yards wide, suitable for Graduating Dresses, which will go at *greatly reduced prices.*

Laces.

We also have too many fine Laces, and now they are marked down to such prices that will sell them quick.

Embroideries.

Embroidered Skirtings, 27 inches wide, for children's dresses, worth 35c, now marked down to 15c.

Embroidered Skirtings 27 inches wide, worth 45c, now 19c.

All-over Embroideries for Yokes, worth 50c, now 25c.

All-over Embroideries for Yokes, worth 65c now 35c.

Fancy Striped Silk Gauze and Chiffons for evening wear, former price 75c, $1.00 and $1.25, now you can take your choice at 39c yard.

Fans.

An indispensable addition to a Graduating Toilet is a Fan.

We now have the prettiest and daintiest line of Paris, Vienna and Empire Styles ever brought to this city.

But we bought too many, and now we cut the prices to reduce the stock.

Handkerchiefs.

One lot of 90 dozen Embroidered and Scalloped, worth from 15 to 25c, your choice now at 10c.

Gingham Aprons now 5c.

Black Sateen Skirts.

Fine Black Sateen Skirt, trimmed in braid, worth 75c, now 39c.

Fine Black Sateen Skirt, trimmed in braid, worth $1.00, now 69c.

Ladies' Stock Collars,

With Satin Bow, worth 50c, now 10c.

One lot of Silk Club House Ties worth 25c, now 5c.

Veilings.

Bordered Veils worth $1.25 and $1.50, now 75c.

Children's Colored Lawn Dresses,

Sizes from 4 to 14 years, former prices 75c, 85c and $1.00, all reduced to one price, 25c.

Misses' White Dresses, sizes 12 and 14 years, worth $2.25, now 98c.

Hosiery.

One box Ladies' Imported Black Hose, 8 to 10, at 12½c a pair, never retailed for less than 20c.

Ladies' very fine Gauge Cotton Hose, Tan and Black, regular price 25c, now 3 pairs for 50c.

Ladies' fine Hose with white feet, 3 pairs for 50c.

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Fair and festival to be given by the Decatur Turnverein at their hall and park on May 25, 26 and 27. Admission 10 cents.—20-d6

For first-class dyeing and cleaning and pressing take your clothing to Miller's. They are first-class practical dyers and dry cleaners, 145 North Main street.

The Baptist Sunday school orchestra Tuesday evening will be one of the finest amateur entertainments ever given in Decatur. Don't miss it. 10, and 15 cents. —22d-3t

The street railway company had an old time Sunday crowd at Riverside park Sunday afternoon. It was late in the evening before all the people got home from the band concert.

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The members of the Young People's Mutual Improvement club are preparing to give a musical and oratorical contest Monday evening, May 31. A prize will be given to the winners and none of the most prominent musical and oratorical members of the society will be allowed to contest. The contest will be at the A. M. E. church.

The First Baptist Sunday school will have their annual picnic at Mackinaw Tuesday, June 15th and on that date will run an excursion, the fare for the round trip being fifty cents. The members invite all their friends to take advantage of the cheap rate and go along with them Tickets are on sale at the stores of J. E. Saxton and R. S. Bohon.—19-d4t

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Only one dollar for the round trip to Springfield via the Wabash railroad on Sunday May 30th. It is under the auspices of the German Catholic Aid Society. Special train leaves Decatur at 8:15 a. m., returning leaves Springfield at 7:30 p. m. Tickets for sale at the Shlaudeman Hotel, Henry Bros. bakery or by the committee, A. Spaeth, L. Schuerman and Frank Keckeisen. Also at the depot Sunday morning.

George Davis, alias Ball, alias Brown, who was sent up from Decatur for two years in 1887, is in jail at Terre Haute. The police board of that city Saturday sent to Decatur for a certified copy of the indictment under which Davis was sentenced and will make an endeavor to send him over under the habitual criminal act. He will probably get twenty-five years in the pen in case they are successful.

City Engineer E. G. Dickerson has filed his bond of $3000. The sureties are Dr. B. E. Tobey and Charles Laux. Mr. Dickerson will probably have his office in the basement room of the court house just to the left of the entrance if City Attorney J. M. Lee decides to move out of the court house, as he is thinking of doing. The city clerk's office is to be the rear room in the annex. Comptroller Robbins will occupy the room now occupied by the city clerk. Some new counters and furniture will be purchased.

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THE PATRIOT DEAD.

Memorial Hymns and Address at the Baptist Church Sunday.

G. A. R. AND SOCIETIES IN A BODY

Attend the Services—Sermon on "Civil War Patriotism" by Pastor MacGregor—Appropriate Floral and Flag Decorations.

Dunham Post, N. 141, G. A. R, Dunham Relief Corps, Sons of Veterans and Ladies' Aid attended the Baptist church Sunday in a body. They all met at the post hall and marched to the church. Over 200 were in line.

The occasion was the memorial sermon which had been arranged this year to be delivered at that church, by Rev. D. R. MacGregor.

An appropriate program was arranged by the pastor and the women of the church had arranged appropriate decorations with flags, flowers and a stack of arms. The hymns were "God Bless Our Native Land," and "My Country 'Tis of Thee" led by the choir. Little Elsie MacGregor, the pastor's daughter, sang a solo entitled "Angels Guard Thee," which was very affecting and was applauded by the audience. After the services were concluded the audience was seated while the Grand Army and its auxiliaries passed out each grasping the hand of Mr. MacGregor as they passed. Many complimented him on his sermon to which they had just listened.

Mr. MacGregor spoke with great earnestness and fervor. He spoke as follows:

Civil War Patriotism.

"If I forget thee, O Jerusalem,
Let my right hand forget her cunning,
Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth,
If I remember thee not,
If I prefer not Jerusalem
Above my chief joy."—Pss. 137:5.

Patriotism is not "Pat Riotism." It is a noble virtue, a holy sentiment. It thrills and moves the whole being of man. It makes drudgery a pleasure and death sweet. It converts wrongs to the country into wrongs to self. It voices the longing of the wanderer from home, in the words of Hadad: "Let me depart that I may go to my own country." It causes David to look upon a stay among strangers, as a doom, saying, "Woe is me that I sojourn in Mesech, and am constrained to dwell in the tents of Kedar."

What are the materials on which Patriotism feeds? Home and country. These kindle its fires and keep them perpetually burning. Home and country have been honored in the most savage as well as the most humane ages. They convert civilians of all trades and professions into invincible warriors. They kindle the poet's muse, that he sings:

"There is a land of every land the pride,
Beloved by heaven o'er all the world beside,
Where brighter suns dispense serener light;
And milder moons empardise the night,
A land of beauty, virtue, valor, truth.

There is a spot of earth supremely blest—
A dearer, sweeter spot than all the rest

Where shall that land, that spot of earth be found?
Art thou a man?—a patriot?—look around;
Oh, thou shalt find, howe'r thy footsteps roam,
That land thy country, and that spot thy home."

The blood of our race is charged with the subtle influence of home and country. The enemy that dares to intrude on these institutions will receive a shock, as from an electric battery. Though the foe be strong enough to carry into captivity, as was the case when Jerusalem was destroyed and its inhabitants colonized on the banks of Babylon's rivers; even then the fires of loyalty are not extinguished. Such a calamity only adds fuel to the flames. It was so with the Babylonian captives. As they beheld their surroundings, as they compared the extensive city of the plain to the city planted on the hills, as they looked on the colossal temple of the Chaldean Bel, rising to the height of 690 feet, and thought of the temple of God; as they beheld the palace of the kings being more than twice the size of Jerusalem, they sat down and wept, yea, they wept when they remembered Zion. They declared:

"If I forget thee, O Jerusalem,
Let my right hand forget her cunning,
Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth,
If I remember thee not,
If I prefer not Jerusalem
Above my chief joy."

Such sturdy loyalty is refreshing. All praise to the people that exemplified it in their conduct. Though maligned, persecuted, tortured; though in many ways the self-imposed anathema "his blood be upon us and on our children," is being visited upon the children of Abraham, they are still illustrious for the manner in which they cling to race and country. If you would see their patriotism in all its glory, go back to the days of old, and consider the unselfishness of their representatives. Nothing could swerve them from duty to fatherland. The second place in the government of Egypt could not divert Joseph from his love to father and brethren. The honor of being known as the son of Pharoah's daughter, and of occupying a high place in the royal court, could not prevent Moses from slaying the Egyptian that oppressed his brother. The luxury and ease of the Persian palace could not prevent Esther from taking her monster to overcome the loyalty of Jonab, and to send him with the message, "forty days and Ninneveh shall be destroyed." Paul could wish himself accursed, if that would save his people and nation.

Patriotism, however, is not the sole property of any people or nation. It is a universal instinct. Said Horace: "It is sweet and glorious to die for one's country." Said Addison: "What a pity that we can die but once to save our country." Said Virgil: The noblest virtue is the public good." Said Homer: "The one best omen is to fight for fatherland." Said Euripides: "Dear native land, would that all love thee as I do." Said the missionary, Mr. Martin:

My country claims my all, claims every passion;
Her liberty henceforth be all my thought!
Though with a brother's life, yet cheaply bought;
For her my own I'd willingly resign,
And say with transport that the gain was mine.

This principle is expressed by others in different ways. Marcus Curtius rode at full speed into a yawning chasm in the Roman Forum because the Soothsayers said the country could not be saved in any other way. A Persian ambassador in France saluted religiously every morning a piece of earth from his native soil, so that he might be reminded of his duty. The Maltese call their island rock the "flower of the world." The Arabians of Ouadelin believe that the sun, moon and stars rise only for them. The Norwegians place on their rix dollars "Spirit, loyalty, valor, let the world learn among the rocks of Norway." The Ethiopian imagines that God made his sands and deserts while angels only were employed in forming the rest of the world. The man void of loyalty is, to say the least, heartless.

Breathes there a man with soul so dead,
Who never to himself has said,
This is my own my native land!
Whose heart has ne'er within him burned,
As home his footsteps he hath turned,
From wandering on a foreign strand?
If such there be go mark him well;
For him no minstrel raptures swell;
High though his titles, proud his name,
Boundless his wealth, as wish can claim;
Despite those titles, power, and pelf,
The wretch concentrated all in self,
Living shall forfeit fair renown,
And doubly dying, shall go down
To the vile dust, from whence he sprung,
Unwept, unhonored, and unsung.

The patriotism, so highly spoken of, and having so many noble representatives in all ages, was fully demonstrated in our own country during the late war. The wails of wrath, the roar of musketry, and all the other horrors of war, made the star of patriotism gleam with brighter splendor.

1. There was patriotism in the home. Mother and home are two of the dearest words in language. Both of these wielded a strong influence. If husbands and wives were ever one in any enterprise, that was in saving our country. The greatest sacrifices were willingly endured by mothers, daughters and younger children in order that fathers might go to the front. In many instances never to return. One father called his boys together; told them that he was going to help defeat those who had fired on Fort Sumter; that they must take care of mother and the farm. Nobly did they do it. As one of these boys was working in the field he attracted the attention of a passing stranger, who asked him why so young a boy was working so hard. His reply was: "Father's fighting, I'm digging, and mother's praying." "Fighting, digging, praying!" exclaimed the man. "That's the kind of patriotism that will bring the country out of her distress." He was right.

There are plants that receive their sustenance from a single tap root. Home is the tap root of country. Separate nation and home and the nation will die. There was no separation during the civil war. This accounts for the nation's existence today. Numerous are the instances where personal interests were second. A father, too old himself for service, sent his two sons. On finding them wounded he was asked if he did not regret the sacrifice. "No," he replied, "if I had twenty sons, I would give them to save this Union." The salvation of the union was home's watch word during those four horrible years. Loyalty was home's morning and evening star. And so brightly did it burn in the hearts of wives, mothers and daughters, that its brilliancy it not dimmed by the bravest deeds of husbands, fathers and sons.

The wife who girds her husband's sword
'Mid little ones who weep and wonder,
And bravely speaks the cheering word,
What though her heart be rent asunder,
Doomed nightly in her dreams to hear
The bolts of death around her rattle,
Hath shed as sacred blood as e'er
Was poured upon a field of battle.

The mother who conceals her grief,
While to her breast her son she presses,
Then breathes a few brave words and brief,
Kissing the patriot brave she blesses,
With none but her sacred God
To know the pain that weighs upon her,
Sheds holy blood as e'er the sod
Received on Freedom's field of honor.

2. There was patriotism on the field of battle. With Farragut and his squadron of brave tars on the water; with Grant and his invincible hosts threading the wilderness; with Sherman and his devastating columns sweeping to the sea; with general and admiral; with soldier and sailor, there was but one thought—"the Union must be preserved." From Fort Sumter to Appomattox there was extended a patriotic line, four years in length, and dyed scarlet by the blood of thousands.

How they fought and died! As a fleet was sailing up the Mississippi Lieutenant Cummings' leg was shot off. He did not give up He would not go below, but shouted to his men, "Get the ship by the batteries; get her by boys, and they may have the other leg." Such heroism is sublime. Nor was it less so in the ranks. A poor fellow was found with his arm become. A comrade leaning over him was holding a canteen to his mouth. Just then the dying man beheld some cavalry dashing by and holding aloft the stars and stripes. The sight caused him to push his friend aside, saying, "Follow that flag," thus preferring to pass through the dark valley of death's shade alone than that harm should come to the flag. From standard bearer to general, it was the flag and the flag only that interested. It was round it they rallied. Its honor was dearer to them than life. They fondly believed that

Whether on the scaffold high,
Or in the battle's van;
The fittest place for man to die,
Is where he dies for man.

Nor did the stern manner in which they went forth for country cause them to forget other duties. In many cases they were religious. One of the old chaplains told me an incident which illustrates this. There was quite an interesting revival going on in one of the regiments and quite a number of the boys had been baptised. The colonel of another regiment did not wish to be outdone. So he called one of his captains and said, "Order out twenty men for immersion this morning." He must have been a brother-in-law to the Baptists.

3. There was patriotism in the prisons of the south. While the public knows much about the sublime heroism that stood so firmly before the serried ranks of the confederacy, it knows little and is slow to believe all that was suffered by those who were penned in Richmond, Libby, Salisbury, Andersonville, Millen, Blackshear and Florence. Said one of the sufferers: "No writer ever described such a deluge of woes as swept over the unfortunates confined in prison during the last year and a half of the confederacy's life. One day at Andersonville or Florence would be enough for the genius of Carlyle or Victor Hugo. No man was ever called on to describe the spectacle and process of 70,000 young, strong, able-bodied men, starving and rotting to death. The years '64 and '65 were a season of desperate battles, but in that time many more union soldiers were slain behind the confederate armies by starvation and exposure than were killed in front of them by cannon and rifle." The magnitude of the mortality' Twelve thousand deaths in Andersonville alone, while the total loss of the British during the Crimean war was only 5000. Blood hounds, dead lines, filth, miasma and starvation let loose upon the unfortunate prisoners a flood of executioners such as vermin, St. Vitus dance, festering sores, quick consumption, low fever, gangrene, scurvy, dysentery, and insanity, all of which did their work well, so well that nineteen deaths daily was at one time the record in Andersonville alone. How ghastly they appeared, with upturned faces, and open eyes in the spot where they fell.

An orphan's curse would drag to hell
A spirit from on high;
But, O, more terrible that that
Is the curse in a dead man's eye.

They need not thus have suffered and died. The confederacy had work for every prisoner at a high rate of wages. Not a week passed but agents were in the prisons seeking skilled workmen. The answer invariably was "No, sir! I'll stay here and die before I would so much as raise a little finger to help the confederacy." Could there be a more striking example of loyalty than this? If the captured Israelites refused to sing their songs for the pleasure of their captors, the captured Union soldiers refused to work for their captors. Both could fittingly unite in saying:

If I forget thee, O my country,
Let my right hand forget her cunning,
Let my tongue cleave to the roof of my mouth,
If I remember thee not,
If I prefer not my country
Above my chief joy.

All hail to the loyal hearts of home, battle-fields, and prison. It was that peace might be ours that they suffered. And now that this has long since been acheived, since we live in a time when Blue and Gray can mix together and be comrades; since "blessed are the peace makers" can be appropriately claimed by the old soldiers, may that peace continue.

Oh, blessed peace,
Oh, concord sweet,
Hover, Oh hover,
With kindly spray!
Over this land of ours, I pray'
Oh, may it never dawn, the day
When grim war's ruthless crew
Shall riot this calm country through.

Sales of Real Estate.

Charles E. Schroll to J. R. Edmonds, lot 14, block 1, Millikin Place—$1500.

Albert G. Webber to Parthene E. Collins, lot 11, block 2, Wessels' addition; also a tract on South Sigel street; consideration, exchange of property.

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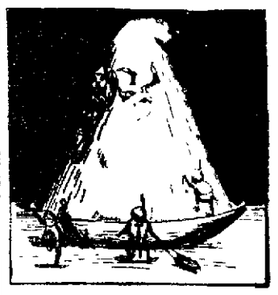

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14	*11:45 a m	15	* 9:55 p m
16	† 8:45 a m	17	† 7:05 p m
TO ST. LOUIS.		FROM ST. LOUIS.	
3	* 3:40 a m	4	[illegible]
11	* 6:55 a m	14	[illegible]
5	† 4:05 p m	16	[illegible]
15	* 4:00 p m	10	[illegible]
1	*12:13 a m	2	[illegible]
7	* 7:20 p m	12	[illegible]
		8 Sun only	9:00 p m
TO TOLEDO.		FROM TOLEDO.	
6	* 5:28 a m	1	*12:20 p m
4	*11:20 a m	7	* 7:17
2	*11:20 p m	5	† [illegible]
10 Laf acm	†4:41 p m	3	* [illegible]
16 Dan. "	†8:45 a m	11	[illegible]
TO QUINCY.		FROM QUINCY.	
5	* 4:07 p m	4	*11:20 a m
3	* 5:40 a m	2	[illegible]
17 Spfd only	† 7:40 p m	18 from Eng	† 7:35 p m
11 Spfd acm	†10:11 a m	10 Eng. acm	† 4:07 p m

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No. 706 pass.	7:00 p m
Champaign Local	[illegible]
No. 124	[illegible]
Chicago Ltd.	9:00 p m

Peoria. Springfield.

Arrive from	Arrive from Springfield
A No. 1	A No. 3 2:01 p m
D No. 3	A No. 5 [illegible]
A No. 11	No. 6 [illegible]
	No. 8 7:10 a m
Depart for	Depart for Springfield
A No. 2	A No. 4 [illegible]
A No. 4	D No. 6 [illegible]
S No. 88	A No. 12 [illegible]
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MONDAY, MAY 24, 1897.

REPUBLICAN JUDICIAL TICKET.

For Judge of the 3d Supreme District,
JACOB W. WILKIN, of Vermilion.
[Election June 7.]

For Judges of the Sixth Circuit.
[Three to elect—Election June 7.]
W. G. COCHRAN, of Moultrie.
F. M. WRIGHT, of Champaign.
E. P. VAIL, of Macon.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, May 24.—Fair, cool, with light frost tonight; Tuesday, fair with warmer afternoon; fresh northerly winds becoming variable Tuesday.

The Sugar Beet Opportunity.

The Globe-Democrat: Much has been said of late concerning a supply of sugar from home-grown sugar beets. It is a large subject, and its importance has not been exaggerated. The annual consumption of sugar in this country is about 2,000,000 tons, or 4,000,000,000 pounds. Our people use relatively a great deal more sugar than in former years. In 1867 each American consumed an average of 24.1 pounds a year, which amount has grown to 70 pounds in 1897, and is still increasing. We pay foreign countries for sugar $100,000,000 a year, or about the sum received for our cereals exported. If the sugar beet can be successfully grown and handled in this country, and of that no doubt is felt by those best informed, $100,000,000 a year will be retained in this country, a new and profitable crop will be added to the resources of the farmer, and a vast manufacturing industry opened to capital and labor.

A line thought to be most favorable to the cultivation of the sugar beet has been traced across the map of the United States by Prof. H. W. Wiley, chief of chemistry in the United States department of agriculture. It extends from the Atlantic to the Pacific, crosses New York, northern Ohio, Indiana and Illinois, southern Michigan, Wisconsin and Minnesota, includes sections of the Dakotas and Nebraska, swings south to Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona, and covers large sections in California, Oregon, Washington, Utah and Idaho. A mean temperature of 70 degrees during the three summer months is the isothermal sought, and this embraces a belt about 300 miles wide. But there are other conditions much to be desired, such as a rainfall of from 2 to 4 inches per month during the summer, and a well-balanced soil of sand and clay, sandy loam standing first. The least favorable soil is a stiff clay. Irrigation is a great help where attainable, and freedom from early winters is an advantage. Such is the choicest basis for beet sugar culture in the United States. But, to state the case in a general way, the sugar beet should prove a successful crop on any soil suited to Indian corn, wheat or potatoes. The land should be well drained, and high cultivation of the crop will pay.

The governor of New York has just signed a bill allowing a money bonus of one cent a pound on all beet sugar raised in any considerable quantity in that state. It is certain that the new tariff bill will give a fair degree of protection to the domestic production of sugar, and that this arrangement will hold good for several years. Our enormous importation of beet sugar comes from European countries with a climate resembling our own. Prof. Wiley says a profit of from $8 to $15 per acre should be obtained from the sugar beet in this country, if a factory is within reasonable distance, the yield of beet roots varying from 15 to 35 tons per acre, according to the cultivation given. It is gratifying to know that American farmers are beginning to recognize the opportunity.

The report from Washington to the effect that the president has snubbed Senator Mason since he made his Cuban speech would pass utter for truth if the latter part of the story that Mason intends to fight the tariff bill to get even with McKinley had been left off. Everybody knows Mason would not be governed in his course on the tariff bill no matter what the difference between him and McKinley might be. The liar who put out such stuff is an ass.

General Weyler issued another concentration order which is intended to corral the peasantry in certain places. He may be intending to facilitate the distribution of relief by the United States on the theory that denuded places can be [illegible] and expense [illegible] But be that as [illegible] people left who [illegible] had been [illegible] Next it is said [illegible] worth [illegible] country [illegible] not [illegible] a parity [illegible] of 16 [illegible] is obvi- [illegible] govern-

Prince Constantine is said to be not quite 29 years old but this fact should not be urged in his favor as there were many generals in the federal army in the civil war who distinguished themselves who were much less than 29 years old when the war closed. Constantine is a lamentable failure as a general and that is the trouble with the Greek war.

Greece declares she will not submit to the payment of any indemnity to Turkey and the chances are that she may escape that through the influence of the powers who are not likely to consent to anything that will strengthen Turkey.

It may be said to the credit of the Crown Prince Constantine that he did not make war on women and children as Weyler has been doing. This argues that there is a difference in generals who do not know how to fight

The powers in disposing of the present conditions in the east after having intervened as between Turkey and Greece might do well to find out just what Russia wants them to do next.

Tammany is halting now on the question of endorsing free silver. It did that in 1896 and if there was an honest reason for it then the same reason exists still.

The new administration is getting along at a very fair gait with the fourth class postmasters but not so well with the first class fellows.

There may be something good in Senator Peffer after all. He recently said he was ashamed of the Populist governor Leedy.

A SOCIAL LESSON.

"I never can forgive Caleb Bradford—never!"

So spoke George Stanton, as he rested his hands firmly upon his knees, and shook his head with that slow, emphatic motion which denotes a strong effort of the will.

Near by him sat his sister Eliza. George was young—only twenty-five—while Eliza was forty. She was a widow, and had returned to the old home for a season, where her younger brother held possession.

"I mean it," the young man added, when he noticed how curiously his sister regarded him—and he closed his hands upon his knees as though he would fortify his resolution.

"I thought he was one of your most intimate friends."

"He has been."

"And I thought he had loved you and that you had loved him."

"I have loved him," said George. He spoke quite feelingly, though a little petulantly.

"Then tell me what Caleb can have done that should thus affect you," urged Eliza.

"He has trampled upon me—he has abused my confidence—he has proved treacherous!" cried the youth, growing indignant with his own warmth of feeling.

"But what has he done?" asked the sister, in the same quiet tone.

"I asked him to lend me his span of horses to take Clara and the baby over to Winfield, and he told me they were not fit to drive. Of course, I should have thought nothing of this; but on the evening of that very day he lent the team to John Jackson; and when I spoke to him about it he rather intimated that it was none of my business to question his motives."

"In all probability," suggested Eliza, "when you spoke to Caleb on the subject you did not speak very kindly."

"I don't know about that," said George, with a nod of the head.

"I can guess pretty nearly how you spoke," the sister rejoined.

"Never mind," said the youth. "It is enough for me to know what transpired. I want nothing more to do with him. My mind is made up to that."

"You'll forget all this in a little while, George."

"You think so, do you?"

"I know it."

"Then I hope you'll watch patiently for the result."

"There is no need of my watching very narrowly, for it will come soon enough."

George seemed at first inclined to be very indignant at being thus doubted; but when he met the calm look of his sister, so full of reason and confidence, he curbed his impatience.

"Eliza," he said, quite earnestly, "do you think I don't know what to say?"

"Oh, you know that well enough; and you know what you mean, too," replied the sister, with a smile. "But," she added, "you don't quite know your own soul yet."

"What do you mean by that?"

"I'll tell you at some future time."

"Tell me now."

"No, not now, George; but I may tell you in a few days."

"I suppose you will tell me something wonderful." This was spoken in a tone which was intended for a very sarcastic one. But the sister smiled, and shook her head, and said:

"I shall not aim to give you any dangerous shock, my brother, but only to help your own reason. However, we won't say any more now, for I must help in the kitchen."

George went away shaking his head, and inwardly declaring that he would never forgive Caleb Bradford in the world, while Eliza went smiling and nodding, for she felt that she knew her brother better than he knew himself.

It was something new for George Stanton to carry enmity in his bosom—and especially enmity against one whom he had loved so well. As such a state was not natural to him it became necessary to the continuance of the enmity that he should nourish it, and in doing this he robbed his own soul of its joys. Twice he met Caleb Bradford, but he would not speak to

"Well," she said, at the same time laying her hand upon his arm, "how do you prosper?"

"What do you mean, Eliza?"

"How do you come on with your hatred of Caleb Bradford?"

"Hatred? I do not hate him."

"Ah! I thought that by this time you would have come to hate him with a perfect hatred."

"You needn't try to play with me in that way, Eliza. I know what you mean. You are mistaken if you think I am a fool."

"Pooh, George—why do you speak so to me?" And as the sister said this she took her brother's hand and looked up into his face with a kindly smile. "Come—let us reason. Do not try to hide a feeling or a thought from me, for I know something of your nature, and I think I know pretty well how your heart beats. Now, tell me, is it not very unpleasant to be at enmity with Caleb Bradford?"

George did not hesitate long, for he had confidence in his sister, and he knew, moreover, that she could read his feelings about as well as he could tell them. And, furthermore, she had been as a mother to him, in love and care, for several years, so he yielded much to her on that account.

"Of course, it is unpleasant," he said.

"Then why do you bear it?" asked the sister.

"Because I cannot help it," returned George.

"Yes, you can help it. A word from you will heal all. Why should you suffer, then?"

"Ah!" replied the young man, very philosophically, "there are some duties in life which are by no means pleasant ones."

"And you think this hatred of your friend is one of them?"

"He is no friend of mine—he is a friend no longer."

"He is the same man you have loved so long, and his heart has not varied in its instincts or its affections."

"Still, he has wronged me," returned George.

"How many times?"

The young man looked up with a puzzled expression.

"How many times?" he repeated. "Why, he has proved false, and that is enough."

Eliza looked at her brother a few moments, and then said, in a tone and with an expression of love and kindness:

"My dear brother, I wish you would listen to me one moment, for I want to give you a lesson in social life which may be of advantage to you. You know I would not tease you, and that I would only speak for your benefit. You certainly feel that."

"Of course, I do," responded the youth.

"Then you will be free and sincere, and answer me after the dictates of your own instincts?"

"Yes."

"Thank you, brother. And now, just tell me this: How many deeds of kindness and love has Caleb Bradford done toward you?"

George was silent.

"Have they not been many?" pursued the sister.

"Why—yes—I suppose they have," the young man finally answered, with some reluctance.

"Aye," added Eliza, warmly, "I know they have. I know that for much of your joy you have been indebted to him, and that he has loved you well and truly. He has done this for years—for long years he has been true and faithful, has he not?"

"Yes."

"And now—how much evil has he done you? How many deeds has he done to harm you?"

George did not answer.

"I shall have to speak for you," Eliza said, speaking with more earnestness as she proceeded. "Just think of it! Allowing that Caleb has done all that you accuse him of having done, and what does it amount to? To just this: He has given you ten thousand blessings, and with them has come one little deed of evil.

"You have a splendid watch which your father gave you, and I know that you value it highly. Suppose it should stop, would you throw it away?"

"Of course not," said George.

"No," added Eliza, "you would say—here, the watch has been faithful for years, and I think its nature is so to be. This must be the result of some accident. And you would take your watch to a watchmaker, and he might find a little piece of dirt lodged amid the delicate machinery; and you would have the dirt removed, and the watch would run as before, and you would trust it as of old.

"Need I say any more? I will, however, say this: Take counsel of your nobler instincts, and make yourself as happy as you can in the path of right."

With these words Eliza arose and left the room, and George was left alone. Awhile he sat upon the sofa, with his head bent, and then he got up and paced the floor a few minutes. It did not take him long to understand what his sister meant, nor did it take long for him to discover and appreciate its truth; he did this as she spoke, for it had appealed to the judgment of his own soul. He only stopped to consider how he should meet Caleb Bradford, and at length he had decided that point.

That very morning, as George stepped out from the post office, he saw Caleb Bradford coming up the street. He had made up his mind and he would not flinch. He meant to try the experiment at any rate. So, as his old friend came up, he put forth his hand and smiled. Caleb grasped it in a moment, and smiled in return.

"We won't explain now," said George, shaking the hand he held warmly.

"No," replied Caleb, with the same heartiness in his grasp.

Aye—for their hearts were as true and warm as ever, and their instincts as safe and sure—only a little mote in the sunbeam—a little bit of dirt in one of the fine wheels, so that the tiny cogs got choked and stopped—that was all. And when this was removed the two men were happy as ever, and the delicate, sensitive structure of friendship between them was free again and perfect.
—N. Y. Ledger.

FOREIGN GOSSIP.

—In the last nine months of 1896 378,000 persons visited the National gallery in London and 211,000 the National Portrait gallery.

—Emperor William II.'s military papers will be published by the Prussian ministry of war, with explanatory notes, on the occasion of the one hundredth anniversary of his birth.

—Archbishop Benson's forthcoming "Saint Cyprian" is called by the Saturday Review "a posthumous bid for much fuller literary and scholastic laurels than any which Dr. Benson gathered during his lifetime."

—English curates without influence are encouraged to keep on in their profession by the recent death of Rev. Howell Thomas, a Welshman, "who had worked his way up from humble circumstances" in the Newport workhouse.

—A London butcher who put up the royal arms over his shop on the strength of having sold some beef to Queen Victoria has been prosecuted by the "Incorporated Association of Her Majesty's Warrant Holders (Limited)," and fined.

—Persian papier mache articles are made of the Bibles sent out by British mission societies, according to Mr. Hodgetts, a recent traveler in the east. He quotes the British consul at Tabreez as saying: "You have no idea what a boon these Bibles are to the village industries of Persia."

—Great Britain's admiralty court confesses to not knowing what a sailing ship is. In a recent collision case on appeal it decided that a barge on which a jury sail had been rigged to assist the rowers was a sailing vessel, but added that when the question of what was a sailing ship came to be decided, it would have to be very carefully considered.

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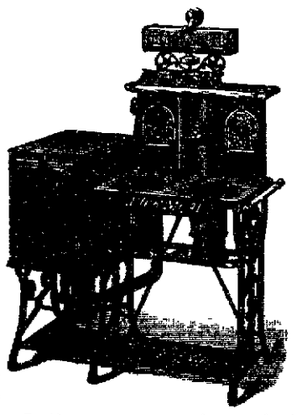

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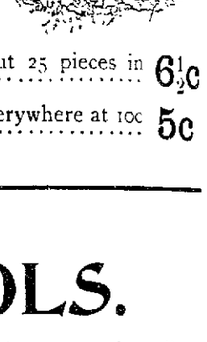

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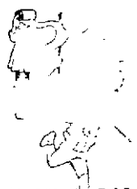

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To one so broken, hapless and bereft.

Life's snows upon you thickly fall and drift
Above your head. And in the darkening air
The chill of death you fancy coming swift,
Nor move, nor cry, but sink in mute despair

But trust, faint heart, and pray to Him above,
Who noteth even when the sparrows fall.
O! ye of little faith to doubt God's love;
He heeds the sparrow and will heed your call.

What though life's ills fall on you like the snow,
And ev'ry joy is buried out of sight,
The eye of faith will set your skies aglow,
And life come back again in brighter light.

The window open, lo! the spring is here!
You feel its breath so kindly blown and warm,
And all around the things you hold so dear,
Returned to bless, to cheer you, and to charm.

A mantle dewy green enwraps the park,
The happy breeze trips lightly o'er the lake,
While from on high trills carol of the lark,
And see! the early robins are awake.

There is a music in the stirring air,
And all atune the leaflets sway and nod
Dame Nature sings to see herself so fair
And hymnal sweet her song ascends to God

The violets are shyly peeping forth,
The morn is fragrant of the bud and flower,
And joyous sunbeams stream from out the south,
And all things gladden in the golden shower.

—Chicago Inter Ocean

A BOY'S ADVENTURE.

BY W. S. BATES.

"Well, Charles, my boy, I'm afraid there's nothing for it but to sell old Blaize."

So spoke, with a doleful shake of his gray beard, Pierre Giraud, as he sat at his cottage door—his usual post, just then, thanks to the rheumatism, which racked his poor old joints so cruelly—and looked out upon the small, green meadow, which, with the old horse that was grazing upon it, formed his entire possessions.

"What! Part with our old horse, father? Oh, don't do that! The field would look quite strange without him, and I'm sure I shouldn't have any appetite for breakfast if I didn't see him come up to the door for his bit of bread."

"Well, I shall miss him sorely myself; but what's to be done? The rent's due on Saturday, and I can't possibly make it up without selling old Blaize. Everything seems to have gone ill with us, somehow, since your poor mother died; but we must just take what fortune sends. There's a fair at the town to-morrow, so you'd better take Blaize there and see what you can get for him."

Next morning, accordingly, away went Charles, with a very rueful face—riding for the last time upon his old friend, who seemed to know that there was something wrong, and, instead of going along at his usual brisk amble, hung his head and moved as slowly and solemnly as if he were drawing a hearse.

Charles himself was not much happier. The thought of losing his favorite, who used to eat out of his hand and follow him about like a dog, quite took away the pleasure of the bright sunshine and the green fields and the fresh flowers, which he would have enjoyed very much at any other time. And, by the time he got to the town, he felt so low that he hardly cared to eat the bread and cheese which his careful father had put in his pocket.

However, the stir and bustle of the fair, with its long lines of tents and waving flags, and jingling bells, and painted booths, heaped with toys and cakes, and gayly-dressed acrobats and jugglers, brightened him up a little; and he was glad to find that old Blaize fetched a good price, and to see that the man who bought him seemed to be a good-natured fellow.

"My name's Blaize, too," said he, as he took the bridle from Charles' hand; "so I'm bound to take good care of my namesake. I live on the Croix-Rouge farm, not far from here, and if you ever want him back again you'll know where to find him."

And now came the paying of the money, which Charles stowed away in the breast of his jacket with no small satisfaction.

But, unluckily, Farmer Blaize had bought so many things ahead that day that he found himself rather short of gold and silver money, and had to make up the amount with a leathern bag full of copper pieces, which Charles found a very unhandy thing to carry.

"You will have a poor chance, my lad, on a lonely road at nightfall, with that bag of money chinking in your hands," said the keeper of a little inn at the corner of the market place, who knew him well. "Better remain here for the night than be robbed on the way home. I'll give you a night's lodging, and welcome."

But Charles thought of his father, sitting waiting for him alone, and so he "declined, with thanks," and tramped manfully out of the town bag and all.

But he found walking much slower work than riding, especially with such a weight to carry, and, hasten as he might, darkness overtook him when he was still a good way from home.

And now the innkeeper's warning began to come back to him unpleasantly enough, as well it might, for in those days the roads of France were not by any means as safe as they are now, and the great war which had just ended had flooded all the highways with armed ruffians, who had followed the trade of plundering too long while fighting was going on to think of giving it up now, and who, provided they could get hold of a heavy purse, cared little whether it was taken from a countryman or from a foreigner.

Just at this point the road dipped

mischances of this kind that the country people had nicknamed it "La Souriciere" ("The Mouse Trap").

Charles, feeling more and more uncomfortable as he descended into it, was fain to try and keep up his flagging spirits with a song:

"'Tis pleasant to roam in the fresh, green fields,
When spring is bright in the sky,
When the hawthorn blossom its fragrance yields,
And the buttercup opes its eye.
I gather the flowers that around me grow,
And whistle away my grief,
As gayly along through the fields I go,
And fear not storm nor thief!"

"Don't you?" said a harsh voice beside him. "We'll see that directly. Hand over that bag, you young rascal, or it'll be the worse for you!"

Charles looked around with a start. The word "thief" seemed to have acted like a spell; for, right in front of him loomed through the twilight a tall man on a gaunt, sinewy brown horse. His slouched hat half concealed his face, but what little could be seen of it hardly needed the thick beard and the huge black patch over one eye to make him as ugly a ruffian as our hero ever saw.

Poor Charles hardly knew what to do. His first thought was to hit the horse on the nose with his stick, and either upset the robber or give him work enough to keep him busy, while he himself got out of reach; but the highwayman's hand was upon one of the pistols in his holsters, and he saw that that would not do. There was nothing for it but to try and gain time.

"If you don't leave me alone," cried he, quite defiantly—though, in reality, he felt frightened enough—"I'll call out for help, and there are plenty of folks coming back from the fair who'll hear me!"

"Are there?" retorted the thief, with a grin. "As if the road would ever be so quiet like this, if there were so many people about! No more fooling, hand over your money, or I'll send a bullet through you!"

But just as he snatched at the bag a brilliant idea suddenly occurred to the boy.

"If I can't keep it," shouted he, "you shan't get it, anyhow!"

And in an instant he had flung the bag with all his strength right across the stream into the long grass on the other side.

The highwayman, fearing that it might roll back into the water, or slip into some hole, and so escape him in the darkness, jumped down and leaped over the stream after it, doubtless meaning

HE SPRANG INTO THE SADDLE

to take vengeance on the boy later on. But he was reckoning without his host.

The moment Charles saw his back turned he sprang into the saddle, and, banging the horse's flanks with his cap, went flying down the road at full gallop, while the astonished robber, left alone in the darkness, with only a handful of coppers to comfort him, howled and shook his fists in vain.

When old Giraud, as he sat by the fire nursing his rheumatism, heard the horse hoofs come clattering up to the door, he thought it must be a fire, or a mounted policeman sent to arrest him, and hobbled out in a great flurry. But the next moment he recognized the voice of his son.

Charles' story was soon told, and over their little supper of black bread and onion soup they laughed at the adventure till the smoky old rafters echoed again.

Master Charles had, in fact, done a better night's work than he imagined. Not only did the highwayman's nag fetch a price—which paid the rent and left them a good balance, without touching poor Blaize's purchase money at all—but old Seigneur De Mallet, the greatest man of the whole district, was so delighted at hearing how the robber had been outwitted, that he sent for Charles and took him into his own service.

The lad saved enough money from his wages to buy back old Blaize before very long; and for years after, whenever any unpromising affair turned out well, the people of the district used to call it "throwing coppers over the stream."—Golden Days.

Where They Differed.

"So you were bound and gagged by bandits while in Italy, were you?" asked the garrulous person. "Regular comic-opera bandits, eh?"

"No, sir," said the traveler. "There was nothing of the comic opera about them. The gags they used were all new."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

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Ladies' Lisle Vests, 15c value, in Dump Sale at 8½c.

SOCKS.

Men's heavy 10c Socks at 5c pair.

Men's heavy 8c Socks at 3½c pair.

SHIRTS.

One lot of 35c Work Shirts at 19c each.

HOSIERY.

50 doz. Ladies' Seamless Black Hosiery, the 12½c quality, in Dump Sale at 6½c pair.

60 doz. Boys' Heavy Ribbed Bicycle Hose, double knees, sizes 6 to 10, a regular 20c quality, in our Dump Sale at 12½c.

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10 doz. Fine Dimity and Sheer Mull Waists, have sold at $1 and $1 25, all to be dumped at 69c

15 doz. Fine Sheer Dimity and Mull Waists, be $1.50 quality to go at 79c each.

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5 doz. Ladies' Fine $4 00 Mackintoshes to be dumped at $2.39 each.

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One piece Stair Carpet, 40c quality, to be dumped at 19c.

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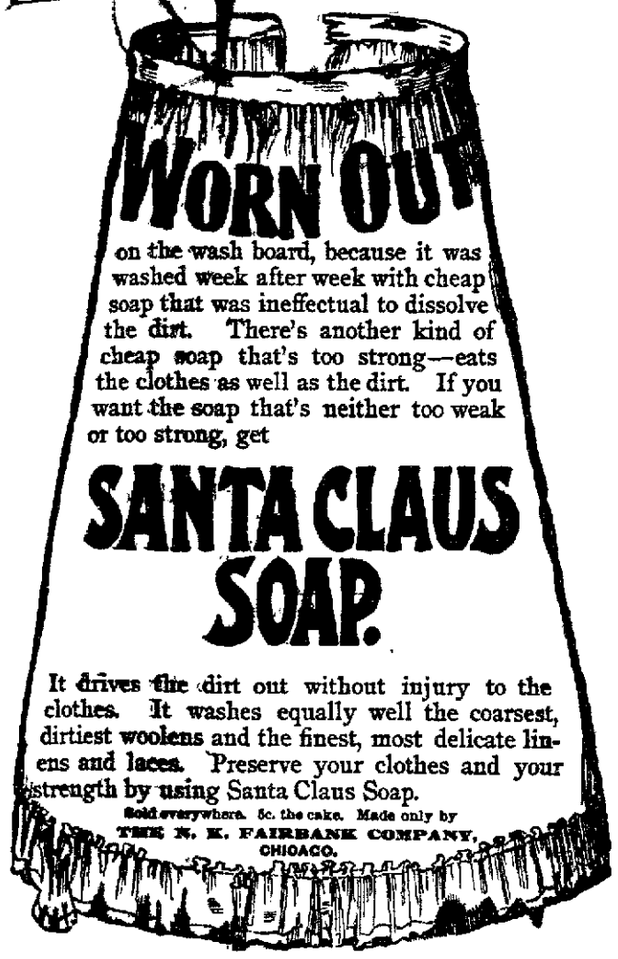

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The first step in papering is to scrape the wall free from paper or whitewash. If the ceiling is to be kalsomined or the wood to be painted, all this work should be done first, the walls prepared for papering, and the room should be thoroughly cleaned before the paper is hung. To remove old paper, moisten it thoroughly with a whitewash brush dipped in water, and, as fast as a breadth has soaked up the water, peel it off. Mend all cracks, breaks and nail holes in the wall with plaster of paris, mixing up only a little at a time and smoothing it down rapidly with a thin, flexible bladed knife, if you have no better tool. It is a good plan to go over the wall with size, using an old whitewash brush. Whitewashed walls must be sized. Ceilings are not as frequently papered now as they were a few years ago. It costs very little to treat them in distemper or colored kalsomine in a tint to harmonize with the paper of the side walls, and this is the way they are usually covered. It is cheaper to kalsomine a ceiling, if the work is done by one of the household, than to paper it, and the kalsomine possesses the advantage of being easily renewed when soiled.

The best rule for sizing allows eight ounces of glue, costing about twenty-four cents a pound to a large pail nearly full of boiling water. Dissolve the glue first in a little boiling water and then stir it into a pailful of boiling water. Do this carefully. Apply the size hot and let the walls dry for a few hours before applying the paper. Take great care to cover the walls with size at the ceiling and baseboard, as the brush often slips at these points.

Trim the blank strip off one side of the paper and cut a roll into lengths, making proper allowance for matching before beginning to apply the paper. Lay the lengths face downwards on the papering table. Two 12-inch boards on two barrels make a convenient table. Spread the paste on with a small whitewash brush. A kalsomine brush must be a fine and expensive brush, and should be kept for the purpose alone, but a whitewash brush costs little and is not injured by being used for a variety of purposes if properly washed off each time. Apply the paper and note with a plumb-line that the edge is in correct position, then rub it smooth from the ceiling downward to the base, using a rather large cotton cloth. Dampen the cloth slightly to make it cling to the wall, but be careful not to blur the colors.

The best paste is made of wheat flour. Take two pounds for five rolls of paper. Sift it. Stir it to a stiff paste in clear, cold water. Have about 1½ gallons of boiling water ready. Pour the boiling water gradually into the dish of paste, stirring the paste repeatedly and constantly. Finally the batter will swell and turn yellow. It is now considered ready for use. The amount of boiling water needed varies with the flour used. Pastry or winter wheat flour makes the best paste. Do not add alum or anything else.—N. Y. Tribune.

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Servants Are Entitled to Fair Treatment.

Never, under any circumstances, discharge a servant at a moment's notice. This is not honest in any walk of life. A servant is frequently engaged in haste, through sheer despair, and, if she fails utterly, is discharged on the spur of the moment. When you require honesty from a servant see to it that you are honest toward her. Never allow a good girl to leave your house at a moment's notice, for a trivial offense. If she is angry leave her for a moment, and when everything has cooled down talk quietly to her, making her feel that you are her friend, and that your house is her home, and I am sure she will regret her behavior.

If you engage a servant by the month pay her on the first day of the month; if by the week pay her on the last day of the week; have a little book in which you register the receipt, and have her sign it at each payment. As soon as a new maid comes to your house ask her her full name and her home address, in case of a sudden happening—illness or death—you will know exactly where to send. Servants dislike very much the idea of being taken to a hospital, a dispensary, or to any charity. I have known, even in this wonderfully civilized world, a girl to die suddenly in a house in which she had lived for two years, without the mistress even knowing her full name. My experience has been that if the mistress would show a kindly feeling toward the servant, and look a little into her comfort, all such kind thought would be returned tenfold. The problem of domestic service will never be solved until the Golden Rule is observed by both mistress and maid.

Servants are only human beings, yet we expect them to go like machines from five o'clock in the morning until 11 o'clock at night, too often without recreation, without change and without even rest. On Thursday, if this be the allotted time off, see that each servant has her full afternoon. Every servant in the house should have time to attend church on Sunday.—Ladies' Home Journal.

Marvelous Results.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gunderman, of Diamondale, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my girl. I was pastor of the Baptist

FALCONING IN VERMONT.

Fine Estates in the Green Mountains Stocked for the Falcon Season.

Vermont is being turned into a state of sports. Its hills are a playground for wealthy people who own "farms" up in the Green mountains and come here to enjoy them.

The latest fad is that of hunting with falcons. Vermont had the first toboggan slide in the east. Then it had ice yachting, then came its golfing and ice tennis; and now it is in the throes of falconry. The great estates of the Webb and Sloane families are being stocked with game and the farmers have turned "falconers" to supply the demand for birds.

The American falcon as here seen is the sparrow hawk, with sunken eyes, arched brows, sharp beak and little topknot. It is a formidable-looking animal and its claws are sharp and ferocious.

The falcon hunts have been mostly after low game. The little wild birds that fly the woods these days are best adapted for the falconing in its amateur state. The heavier wild fowl that fly higher are too fierce for the little American falcon.

This is a pen picture of a falcon hunt as it took place the other day upon the estate of Braintree: There were six ladies in the party and eight gentlemen, each of the latter carrying the falcon on their wrists. The ladies rode in front, each poising a hooded falcon upon her glove or resting against her shoulder. One beautiful girl with osprey feathers floating down her back carried her falcon upon her three-cornered hat, where it furnished a trimming for the strange headgear. She wore a Marie Antoinette gown with a floating fichu of lace. Her horse was a light-footed Kentucky gray, and made no noise as it penetrated the woods. The others came as silently after.

Suddenly there was a pause. The bugler blew a blast, and from the trees and brush there came a sw-w-ish, as flocks of birds rose from their cover in fright. Instantly the falcons were unhooded and let loose. Out they flew and down and around, soaring over the heads of their prey until the frightened birds fairly flew within grasp of their talons. One fierce little undersized falcon seized two birds in one deadly clutch and came flying back with them to the falconer before the others had captured a prize apiece. At a call all the birds returned, and then came the dividing up of the trophies and the feeding and rehooding of the falcons.

The nerviest of the hunters insisted that the head of the prey be cut off for the falcon to enjoy as its best reward. This was the way the beautiful young lady who rode first diverted herself after capturing a bird.

Several professional falconers are to be imported from England. They will bring with them a family of English falcons, and the sport, instead of dying out, as new sports do, will receive impetus from the coming visit of the duchess of Manchester, who has the reputation of being the finest falconer in England.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

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A childless woman has missed the greatest pleasure in the universe. She has missed the vague, soft caresses of helpless, sweet little hands that cling to her with blind love and dependence. She has missed the miracle of motherhood. She is not truly a woman.

If she is to be a mother, she must be healthily capable. A weak, sickly woman is not to be expected to bear a healthy child. Bearing an unhealthy child is a crime—punishable by Nature's inflexible laws. Punishable with misery and remorse. The wonder is that there should be unhealthy women and unhealthy children. It is the fault of the women! Their ill health is unnecessary. They may be perfect women, and bear perfect children—easily and without pain, if they choose to do so.

Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription makes women well. It purifies and invigorates the organs distinctly feminine, and makes the mother better able to nourish the child before and after birth. It frees the ordeal of childbirth from much of its pain and danger. It insures the health of both mother and child. It prevents premature birth and miscarriages. All good druggists sell it.

Mrs. Beulah Woodall, of Bateman, Patrick Co., Va., writes: "I was afflicted for four years with disease of the womb, but would not confess it for a time. My mother told me she had read of Dr. Pierce's medicines and advised me to try them. I got two bottles of the 'Favorite Prescription' and a bottle of the 'Pleasant Pellets,' and I saw they helped me. I got six bottles of the 'Prescription' again, six of 'Golden Medical Discovery' and five bottles of 'Pellets,' and began taking them in May. I would take a dose of each three times a day and a pellet at night. I can safely say they cured me. I can praise Dr. Pierce and his medicines. Have been married ten years. Have a girl baby and call it little Pierce."

Electric Bitters.

Electric Bitters is a medicine suited for any season, but perhaps more generally needed when the languid, exhausted feeling prevails, when the liver is torpid and sluggish and the need of a tonic and alterative is felt. A prompt use of this medicine has often averted long and perhaps fatal bilious fevers. No medicine will act more surely in counteracting and freeing the system from the malarial poison. Headache, indigestion, Constipation, Dizziness yield to Electric Bitters. 50c and $1.00 per bottle at West's drug store.

At Naples in 1656 during the plague, which lasted twenty-eight weeks, 380,000 people died.

Some for ten, some for twenty and some for thirty years have suffered from piles and then have been quickly and permanently cured by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great remedy for piles and all forms of skin diseases. A. J Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The most extensive park is Deck Park in Denmark. It contains 4200 acres.

"They are dandies," said Thos. Bowers, of the Crockett, Texas, Enterprise, while writing about DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for sick headache and disorders of the stomach and liver. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Glass was made in Egypt 3000 B. C., earliest date of transparent glass 719 B.C.

TERRIBLE ACCIDENT.—It is a terrible accident to be burned or scalded; but the pain and agony and frightful disfigurements can be quickly overcome without leaving a scar by using DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The first complete sewing machine was patented by Elias Howe, Jr., in 1846.

A Warm Friend.

Foley's Colic Cure is very hot, but when diluted it is a warm friend, indeed, to those suffering from bowel complaints. It never fails. 25c and 50c. H. W Bell, N. L. Krone.

Glass windows were first introduced into England in the eighth century.

A Queer (?) Medicine.

There is a medicine whose proprietors do not claim to have discovered some hitherto unknown ingredient, or that it is a cure-all. This honest medicine only claims to cure certain diseases, and that its ingredients are recognized by the most skilled physicians as being the best for Kidney and Bladder Diseases. It is Foley's Kidney Cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

A needle passes through eighty operations in the course of manufacture.

Unfortunate People

are they who while suffering from Kidney Diseases are prejudiced against all advertised remedies. They should know that Foley's Kidney Cure is not a quack remedy, but an honest guaranteed medicine for Kidney and Bladder troubles. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

The first iron ore discovered in this country was found in Virginia in 1715.

Don't thin your blood with sassafras or poison it with blue-mass; but aid Nature by using DeWitt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills for constipation, biliousness and stomach and liver troubles. They are purely vegetable. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Columbus discovered America October 12th, 1492; the Northmen A. D. 985.

Don't neglect a cough because the weather is pleasant; before the next storm rolls around it may develop into a serious difficulty beyond repair. One Minute Cough Cure is easy to take and will do what its name implies. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The highest denomination of United States legal tender notes is $10,000.

W. B. Johnson, Newark, O., says: "One Minute Cough Cure saved my only child from dying by croup." It has saved thousands of others suffering from croup, pneumonia, bronchitis and other serious throat and lung troubles. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Harvard is the oldest college in the United States, established in 1638.

To Consumptives.

As an honest remedy, Foley's Honey and Tar does not hold out false hopes in advanced stages, but truthfully claims to give comfort and relief in the very worst cases, and in the early stages to effect a cure. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

Slavery in the United States was begun at Jamestown, Va., in 1619.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts Bruises, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For sale by E. A. West, the druggist.

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Thirty-one years ago we opened an Exclusive Carpet and Wall Paper Store in Decatur. Goods that we are now selling at 65c were then sold at $1.75. Wall Paper sold at that time for 25c, we now sell you at 8c.

Spring time brings demands for these articles, and you find us with a large stock of all grades, from Cotton Ingrains at 16c to the best Tapestry Body and Axminsters. Our WALL PAPER from a common brown at 4c up through all the grades to the charming Brilliantines.

No one trying to monopolize all branches can or will do as well by you as we—dealing exclusively in these goods, giving our entire attention to style, coloring and quality, all things being equal.

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Consider yourself free to go in and out of our store just to look our goods over and over.

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Housekeeping Arithmetic.

What is the cost of your coal for cooking per month? $.....

What is the cost of carrying the same " " $.....

What is the cost of removing the ashes " " $.....

What is the cost of the time spent in dusting, scrubbing, and sweeping up coal dust and cinders per month? $.....

What is the cost of the wear and tear on your temper and health caused by scouring over a red hot stove all summer per month? $.....

Total ..... $.....

Make a fair estimate of the above on the basis of other housekeeping comforts and compare it with

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MEN Nervous Debility, Loss of Vital Power, Sleeplessness, Despondency, Loss of Memory, Confusion of Ideas, Dim before the eyes, Lassitude, Languor, Gloominess, Depression of Spirits, Aversion to Society, Easily discouraged, Lack of Confidence, Dull, Listless, Unfitted for study or business and finds life a burden, safely, permanently and privately cured.

Blood and Skin Diseases, Scrofula, Erysipelas, Blotches, Fever Sores, Pimples, Ulcers, Pain in the Head and Bones, Enlargement of the Neck, Rheumatism (Catarrh, etc., permanently cured when others have failed.

Consumption The idea that Consumption is incurable is fast becoming obsolete. This dread and incurable disease is curable in the same stages as other diseases are. I have treated a large number of well marked cases of this malady during the past fifteen years and I have succeeded in curing for greater portion of them. I would urge all who have symptoms of the first stages of this disease to call at once and have appropriate treatment before the malady becomes confirmed.

Bright's Disease Will cure every case before fatty degeneration or granulation of the kidneys have taken place.

Heart Disease Diseases of the heart have become alarmingly frequent. There are few diseases of the human system more calculated to fill the mind with serious apprehensions than wrong actions of the heart. The importance of seeking from the varied phenomena which present themselves the true cause of the impairment and cure should be our first concern. This affliction, either functional or structural, is almost invariably cured by my treatment.

Cancer We treat this terrible affliction by eradicating the disease from the system. No cutting.

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CRAPES AND CREPON.

Methods of Weaving to Secure the Surface Effect.

The fabric most generally known as crape is mourning crape, but properly the name belongs to any fabric of silk, cotton or wool that has a wrinkled surface. Crepon is the French name for a thick crape, but it has come to be applied to any weave with an uneven face which gives a crape effect, whether woven like crape or in plain plaits thrown up by dropping certain wefts at definite intervals and tightening them by twisting.

The wrinkle of crape is produced by making the weft, and sometimes the warp also, of twisted threads, every alternate group of threads being twisted in the reverse direction. The threads so arranged are loose—that is, with space between them—and when the fabric is completed they untwist, each in its own direction, which gives a surface of uniform irregularity. Twisting warp and weft makes the most perfect crape. If the weft only be twisted and the warp straight, the weft threads will push up and down the warp, making a less durable fabric. When the twist is in the weft only there is elasticity across the goods, and when twisted both ways it is elastic both ways.

The result of this weaving is a surface of broken lights and shadows, a surface that reflects less light than if smooth and absorbs much. Such a surface permits color to be seen to advantage, and crapes are especially beautiful in rich colors suited to them, as vivid red.

Oriental crapes, the most beautiful in the world, are of silk, or of mixed silk and cotton. When of part cotton they are cheaper, but there is no vulgar attempt to conceal the cotton; it is kept frankly on the surface and its own good qualities are made to appear. Cotton has less power of reflection than silk and, therefore, lends itself to increase the absorption of light, which is an object in crape weave. Also, the crimpled surface enhances the beauty of cotton thread.

What is known as mourning crape is not a crape weave. Its wrinkled surface is made by stiffeneing gauze and pressing it on a matrix.—Chicago News.

A Long Journey.

Old Lady (on ocean steamer)—Mercy me! Is this all one ship?

Traveled Granddaughter—Why, yes, grandma, and we haven't walked a quarter the length of it yet.

"Land sakes! How near will we be to Europe when we get to the other end?"—N. Y. Weekly.

It Softened the Blow.

"The Jimson girls felt awfully when their father married again, didn't they?"

"Yes, they did until they found her new mother was just their size. Now they borrow her clothes."—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

There is more Catarrh in this section of the country than all other diseases put together, and until the last few years was supposed to be incurable. For a great many years doctors pronounced it a local disease, and prescribed local remedies, and by constantly failing to cure with local treatment, pronounced it incurable. Science has proven catarrh to be a constitutional disease, and therefore requires constitutional treatment. Hall's Catarrh Cure, manufactured by F. J. Cheney & Co., Toledo, Ohio, is the only constitutional cure on the market. It is taken internally in doses from 10 drops to a teaspoonful. It acts directly on the blood and mucous surfaces of the system. They offer one hundred dollars for any case it fails to cure. Send for circulars and testimonials. Address,

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Have You Kidney Trouble?

A 50c trial bottle of Foley's Kidney Cure will prevent serious results from this unusually fatal disease. H. W. Bell, N. L. Krone.

In spinning cotton the hand spinning wheel was used until 1776.

Sick headache can be quickly and completely overcome by using those famous little pills known as "DeWitt's Little Early Risers." A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Not only piles of the very worst kind can be cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, but eczema, scalds, burns, bruises, boils, ulcers and all other skin troubles can be instantly relieved by the same remedy. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Smiling Faces

Sweet Greetings that Keep the Home Happy.

It Is Hard to Smile When the Body Is Racked With Pain.

It's hard to smile when the back is aching, the head throbbing, and the body is full of pain. The thing to do is to rid yourself of the aches and pains, and Munyon will help you do it. The Munyon Homeopathic Home Remedies, made up of discoveries and combinations in medicine, are a veritable boon to mankind. The world is rapidly being converted by truth and evidence, and soon the Munyon school of medicine will be accepted and recognized as the only school that is safe and sure. Here's proof. Will you study it?

Mr. John R. Darling, Eck, Marion County, Ind., says "Until a few weeks ago I suffered very severely with pleurisy and catarrh. I tried several kinds of treatment, but got no better. I felt that my lungs were affected. Three weeks treatment under the Munyon system and I felt like a new man. In one week the pleurisy had all left me, and I am now almost rid of the catarrh. Munyon's Remedies are wonderful."

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Residence—555 West North St.

GEO. P. HARDY,
Justice of the Peace,
147 South Water Street.
Apr 23-dtf

I. D. STINE.
ARCHITECT.
Pasfield Building.
Telephone 570. DECATUR, ILL.

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of John Cullen, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of John Cullen, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the July term, on the first Monday in July next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 21st day of May, 1897.

EDWIN PARK, Administrator.

May 21-d3w

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WANTED—Paper hanging. With 25 years' experience I am prepared to give prompt attention to all orders from all parts of the city. Prices reasonable and all work guaranteed. New Telephone 306. D. M. SMITH, West end Pugh street car line. Feb 19 dtf

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—I will sell at auction on Saturday, May 22, 1897, at the west door of the court house, a lot of Household and Kitchen Furniture. W. W. CONARD, Constable
May 16-d6*

FOR SALE—5 acres of land, good 4-room new house, new barn, etc., on gravel road, east end of Decatur; $1700 buys it; possession given immediately. Hurry up; must be sold by March 1st. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

FOR RENT.

ROOMS FOR RENT—In Pasfield Building at extraordinary low rates. Three suites with private toilet and one without—stylish, with gas and electricity. Call on I. D. Stine, Architect, in the building, and examine the rooms. This is a snap; don't miss it. May 24 d2w

FOR RENT—Good 8-room house, in good repair, on nice lot, North College street. Price $10 per month. Apply to JOHN A. BROWN, 142 South Main street. 18-d6

TO RENT—Cheap, one four-room and one six-room house; Solane Place, West Green st. CLARK & SCHROLL, Room 22 Arcade.
April 17-dtf

LOST AND FOUND.

LOST—Somewhere on N. Water street on the evening of May 18, a black enameled watch, dagger chetaine. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the watch at the St Nicholas hotel office. 19-d6*

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FARM LOANS—SIX PER CENT. INTEREST—Lowest commission. Prepayment privileges. Money ready when papers are accepted. Don't contract for a loan until you get my terms. C. E GIVEN, 605 Millikin Bank Building. Oct 28-d&wtf

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Feb 16-dtf

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$225 buys fine lot on North Union street, 40x80. What's the matter with this! nothing—only the owner needs money. PETER H. BRUECK, Real Estate Broker, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STEAMSHIP TICKETS to all parts of Europe, either first or second cabin, or steerage tickets, at the very lowest prices. For further information call at office. PETER H BRUECK, Agent Hamburg-American Line, 215 North Main street. Feb 17-dtf

STORAGE GOODS FOR SALE.—We have a lot of household goods, bedroom suit, chairs, couches, carpets, etc., in good condition, that we will sell cheap to pay the storage due on them. This is a bargain for some one. BACHMAN BROS. & MARTIN CO. June 10-dtf

SEE DILTS—If you are wanting a two, three or four inch tubular well, or your old wells made deeper. Well work of all kinds and sizes, from two inches to three feet. 723 N. Water or 1732 E. Prairie street. nov28 dtf

THE Blue Grass Carriage shop. Your vehicle housed and stored at my risk free of cost, if repairs or repainting is necessary for spring use. Oceans of good dry room, and I want one to two hundred vehicles on these terms. Corner of East Main and Franklin streets. Jan6-dtf

RHEUMATISM CURED.—For the past nine years I have suffered intensely with rheumatism and neuralgia. The last attack was very severe. After suffering for some time I was induced by a friend to take Cerrodanie Capsules without cessation. To my surprise they cured me in a short time. I recommend them to all who suffer with rheumatism or neuralgia. R. O. ROSEN, Architect, Decatur, Ill.
April 26-dtf

CHANCERY NOTICE.

STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss

In the Circuit Court, to the June Term, A. D. 1897.

Miles K. Young, Receiver of the Illinois Building and Loan Association, of Bloomington, Illinois, vs. E. M. Weygandt, William L. Johnson and Albert T. Summers. In Chancery, No 15 775.

Affidavit that E. M. Weygandt, one of the defendants above named, is a non resident of the State of Illinois, having been filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of said county and summons having been issued against the above named defendants to the sheriff of Macon county which has been returned as against the said E. M. Weygandt not found, notice is hereby given to the said E. M. Weygandt that the above named complainant heretofore filed its bill of complaint in said court, on the chancery side thereof, and which suit is still pending, and that summons thereupon issued out of said court against the said defendant, returnable to the first day of the next June term of said court, to be held at the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county, on the first Monday in said month of June, A. D. 1897, being the 7th day of June, A. D. 1897.

Now therefore, unless you the said E. M. Weygandt, shall be and appear before said court on the first day of said term, and plead, answer or demur to said bill of complaint, the same will be taken as confessed and a decree rendered against you according to the prayer thereof. D. L. FOSTER, Clerk

Dated this 28th day of April, A. D 1897

W C Johns, Complainant's Solicitor.
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EXECUTOR'S NOTICE.

Estate of Susannah Bushart, Deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed executor of the estate of Susannah Bushart, late of the county of Macon, and State of Illinois, deceased, hereby give notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the June term on the first Monday in June next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested

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STATE OF ILLINOIS, MACON COUNTY } ss

In the Circuit Court, to the June Term, 1897.

Charles B. T. Moore, Helen Johns Moore his wife Harry M. Moore, unmarried, and Josiah M. Clokey, executor of the last will and testament of Jesse H. Moore deceased vs. William E B. Moore, Mary M Moore, Mary Alice McComas, Charles C. McComas Helen Saunders, James T. Saunders, Sarah J. Steele, George R Steele, and Columbus Williams—In Chancery, No. ——, Bill for Partition.

Affidavit that William T. B. Moore, Mary M Moore, Mary Alice McComas, Charles C. McComas, Helen F Saunders and James T. Saunders are defendants in the above entitled cause and residents of the state of Illinois. Filed in the office of the clerk of the circuit court and summons issued. Been served on the above named defendants. Return shows that the above named defendants have been served by leaving a copy of the summons with each of them, and that the above named defendants have been served by leaving a copy of the summons with each of them, and that the above named defendants have been served by leaving a copy of the summons with each of them, and

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Don't forget our Manufacturer's Sale of Lady Ever says' Fine Shoes.

Large manufacturer of Ladies' Fine Shoes at a big reduction
Kid Shoes, made up on new, up-to date lasts—nice, clean
C, D and E widths. We want to close this lot out quick
and thereby give the buying public a benefit. They were made to sell at $3.00
to $3.50 and worth cheap at that, but they go in this sale at $2.38.

Tube Rose Bulbs Free...
With every cash purchase of one dollar we give you a Tube Rose Bulb FREE

FRANK H. COLE SHOE CO.,
148 EAST MAIN STREET.
Sign of Brass Foot Tracks in Sidewalk.

CORSETS.

Do You Wear Them?

If so, why not buy one from a first class assorted stock, embracing the popular brands,

Ladies' style, ... AMERICAN LADY.
Ladies' style, ... THOMPSON'S GLOVE FITTING
Ladies' All Wool style, worth $1 ..... FLEXO GIRDLE.
Ladies' All Wool Sa style, worth $15, ... JACKSON CORSET WAIST.

Our good line of Corsets in Coutil, Jean and Satin, in Bolting Cloth and Imported Cottings
Corsets Form fit from 49c up

GRAPE JUICE

makes a most delicious and refreshing drink, when served as a Phosphate or as an Ice Cream Soda. Come in and try one. Have you seen our new Fountain? It is the largest and finest in the city.

KING'S DRUG STORE,
Cor. Main and Water Sts.

SOCIETY MEETINGS.

RATHBONE SISTERS—Regular meeting of Myrtle Temple No 2, Rathbone Sisters, this (Monday) evening, at 7 30 o'clock, in new K. of P. Hall Powers Building MRS. DILLEHUNT, M. of R. and C.

MASONIC.—Special communication of Ionic Lodge, No 312, A. F and A. M., this (Monday) evening, at 8 00 o'clock, for work. By order of W. I. LOWRY, W M. J. S. MCCLELLAND, Sec

ANNOUNCEMENT.

We are authorized to announce D. S. SHELLABARGER as a candidate for re election as a member of the Board of Education. Election June 1st, 1897.

LOCAL NEWS.

Council meeting this evening as usual.

Go to Springfield next Sunday.—24d 6

Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St.

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keck.

Knickerbocker shoulder braces at Irwin's drug store.

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc. june 22-dtf

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 center, made by John Weigand. Mch 25 tf.

A good hair cut for 15 cents at Grist's barber shop, 129 South Water street.

On and after June 1st we will close on Sunday. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co. Telephone 344. 4d30t.

The genuine Russian corn cure is sold at Irwin's drug store.

Be sure to attend the concert at the Baptist church Tuesday, May 25, 10 and 15 cents.—22d-3t

Fine music, fine refreshments and an evening's pleasure for 10 and 15 cents at the Baptist church Tuesday, May 25, Come.—22-d3t

Webb C. Foster at 1075 North Water street has on hand the best cuts of beef, veal, pork and mutton, etc., and a fresh and full line of all goods in his line.

Boston bug bouncer, 25 cents a bottle at Irwin's.

You should see those Reed & Son's pianos and Packard organs on sale only at the C. B. Prescott music house.

The competitive examination for the scholarship in the University of Illinois will be held at the office of County Superintendent Keller June 4 and 5

Don't forget the dollar excursion to Springfield next Sunday, 8:15 a.m —24d-6

At high noon Sunday at Grace M. E. parsonage Dr. Gillmore united in marriage Budd D. Larkins of Decatur, and Miss Mabel J. Wheeler of Harristown.

The farming community is anxious for more rain as there are many clods to pulverize This week will about finish the corn planting in this vicinity. Some fields of early planting are up with fair stand.

Goodman's band accompanies the Springfield excursion next Sunday morning.—24-d

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Dan Culp, the old reliable seedsman fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 223 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-d&wtf

Prayer meeting of the C. W. mission for this week will be at Bro. Brighton's Tuesday evening, 830 East Herkimer; at Bro. Lindsley's, 1463 East Leafland avenue, Thursday evening; at Mr. Malles', 319 North Franklin street, Friday evening.

J. L. Smith of Buffalo, N. Y., the cyclist on his way overland to San Francisco, Cal., left this forenoon on his wheel for St. Louis by way of Taylorville and Litchfield. He is on schedule time, and intends to reach his destination on July 15. If the does he will receive $1000.

Springfield $1 round trip via Wabash Sunday, May 30. Special train leaves at 8:15 a. m.—24-6

There will be baptism services next Sunday at Long Creek and Mt. Zion, preceding the memorial service. Those who desire baptism by immersion will go to the Sangamon just below the Cowford bridge at 5:30 p m., to be baptized. They will be present at the churches at the regular service to take the baptism vows.

The Grand Army men and their many friends filled the churches at Elwin and Blue Mound chapel on Sunday to hear the memorial sermon by the Rev. A. M. Danely. Next Sunday he will preach to the army at Long Creek at 10:30 a. m. and at Mt. Zion at 3 p. m. The churches will be decorated with flags and flowers and patriotic songs will be rendered by the singers. The children will pin on each of the veterans a buttonhole bouquet.

Church Reception.

The officers and teachers of the Presbyterian Sunday school will entertain the officers and teachers of Westminster and College street schools in the church parlors this evening. Light refreshments will be served. There will be some short addresses. G. W. Miller of Paris, will be present.

The Peter Kelster Will.

Julius Kelster has filed a bill in partition in the circuit court by which it is

THE DEATH ANGEL.

H. Clay Depew Passed Away at His Home Saturday Night.

H. Clay Depew, the well known traveling salesman, died at his home at the corner of North Edward and Green streets on Saturday evening, May 22, at 8.10 o'clock after an illness of less than ten days, due to an acute attack of Bright's disease. Mr. Depew was not regarded as dangerously ill until Thursday evening, although he had been feeling poorly. He had not been in his usual good health for over a year. For many months he had been confined to his home as the result of an accident by which a knee cap was fractured. The mishap occurred on March 26, 1895, caused by being thrown from a buggy. He recovered and was able to resume his duties as a salesman. Then came the illness of his eldest son, Fred Depew, who died nearly two months ago. The death of the young man had a very depressing effect upon Mr. Depew who was devoted to his wife and children. Mr. Depew had an extended acquaintance with business and professional men. He had been in the employ of the Race Clothing Manufacturing company for a period of twenty years, and had traveled over a wide extent of territory. His many friends will be surprised and shocked to learn of his death.

The deceased was born at Rockville, Ind., Sept. 24, 1846, and was in the 51st year of his age. He came to Illinois about thirty years ago and for several years engaged in the retail shoe business at Chicago. Later he was in the grain business with his brother at Casey, Ill. He has lived in Decatur over twenty years. He was married to Miss Nettie Barnett, at Bloomington, June 19, 1876, and she with three children survive him. They are Carl, aged 18 years, Edna, aged 15 years and Harry aged 9 years. Mr. Depew was a veteran of the late war. He enlisted in 1862 with the 135th Indiana infantry and served one year, being honorably discharged in 1864 on account of sickness. The deceased was a member of the Baptist church, of Macon lodge, No. 8, A. F. and A. M., of Dunham post, G. A. R., and of the T. P. A. of Des Moines, Iowa. He has one brother, J. F. Depew at Denver, and one sister, Mrs. M. D. Larsh of Coffeeville, Ind. She arrived Saturday night a few minutes before the death of her brother.

The funeral is in progress this afternoon from the residence, conducted by Rev. D F. Howe of the First M. E. church, assisted by Rev. Mr MacGregor of the Baptist church. Mr. Howe and Mr. Depew were personal friends. They became acquainted when the clergymam was a telegraph operator at Casey.

In Memory of H. C. Depew.

A meeting of the local traveling men was held at the St. Nicholas hotel last Sunday afternoon to take action on the death of their old friend and companion, H. Clay Depew. About forty were present. W A. Cash was elected chairman. It was moved and carried that a committee of three be appointed to draw up suitable resolutions, and the following committee was named. O. C. Robertson, John M. Maris and J. G. Bixby.

It was moved and carried that a committee of five of which O. C Robertson should be chairman, be appointed to represent the traveling men at the funeral and to procure a floral offering. The following committee was named by the chair, W. A. Cash, B. W. Dillehunt, W H. Gasaway and C. H. Walters.

The committee on resolutions reported as follows:

Whereas, It has pleased the Almighty in His inscrutable wisdom to call from our midst our brother; be it

Resolved, That we extend to his bereaved wife and family our deepest sympathy in this, the hour of their deepest sorrow and greatest affliction.

Signed, O. C Robertson,
Jno. M. Maris,
J. G. Bixby.

Chas. R. Briggs, Sec.

SUNDAY AT THE PARK.

People by the Thousands at Riverside to Hear Goodman's Band.

Sunday was the initial day of the season for general visitation of the people at Riverside park, and the special attraction provided by Manager Ferguson of the City Electric Street Railway company, was sufficient to draw one of the largest crowds ever seen on the grounds. Goodman's full band of thirty pieces played splendid selections all afternoon, and delighted everybody. The selections were appropriate and and the melody was entrancing. The park management and the band were alike complimented on the free treat given the multitude. All classes of people were at the grounds, the rich and the poor. Many came in fine vehicles, a large number on the street cars and others on foot It was an ideal spring day and the outing was a time of general enjoyment, the best of order being preserved. The free band concerts that will be given at the park every Sunday afternoon when the weather is favorable cannot fail to prove popular with the masses. "Music hath charms" to drive dull care away, and the weekly diversion of a trip to Riverside to hear the melody, to rest and see and be seen, will do everybody good. The band members were more than pleased Sunday to see so many people out. It was substantial evidence that the people of all ages and classes love good music and will go where it can be heard. Every Sunday when not otherwise engaged there will be thirty players in the band at the park. Besides the music there was boating on the river and hundreds of people visited the chutes. In a short time the natatorium will be open to the public.

Tonight a good comedy company will begin a week's engagement at the Riverside. The largest crowd was at Riverside park. During the entire afternoon the cars were crowded, taking people out and bringing them back Hundreds of persons visited the park during the day. Goodman's band gave a concert, the boats on the river were used by some and the chutes were quite well patronized.

BASE BALL IN DECATUR.

The Dummies Do Up the Champaign Slats 31 to 2, and 23 to 0.

The base ball season in Decatur was inaugurated Saturday afternoon at the association park under the management of Dougherty, Layton and Gates. The opposing teams were the Kenney mutes who wore the Decatur uniforms, and the Champaign club. It was a fine day and there was a good sized crowd out to witness the first game of the year. In the practice both clubs showed up well, and a close contest was anticipated. Baldwin Starr was the umpire, and Flynn was the pitcher for Decatur because the mute pitcher was not in good form. It was a lop sided game all through, the Dummies winning hands down, but they didn't make any hurrah about it. They treated everything with silence. The score by innings was:

Decatur..	2	6	5	0	5	3	1	7	2	—31
Champaign.....	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	— 2

Sunday Game.

About 300 people witnessed the game Sunday afternoon with Cummings and Appleby, the mute battery, in the points for the Decatur team. It was another dead easy victory for the home team, a shut out for the visitors. The mute team demonstrated that they are all round ball players and are at their best at critical times. The score:

Decatur... . . .	1	1	0	0	0	3	1	3	14	—23
Champaign . .	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	— 0

Umpire—Ely.

The Players

The opposing teams in the Saturday game were as follows

Champaign.	Positions.	Kenney.
Clayborn	s s	Howard
Adams	.. 3d b....	Merrick
Enniger	c f	Huff
Granger....	1st b	Hussey
Heble..... . .	.2d b ...	Maher
Flatt	c	Appleby
McIntyre	1 f	Gates
Price	r f	Connors
Gillum	p . .	Flynn

The public schools of Argenta, under the direction of W. W. Kyle will on Thursday of this week hold their second annual commencement exercises. There will be a class of five girls and three boys and the young ladies carry off all the honors Miss Anna Griffin will be the salutatorian and Miss Lola Cooper the valedictorian. The exercises will be held in Armstrong's opera house at 7:30 and the people of that village are looking forward with considerable pleasure to the event. In addition to the essays of the class Rev. H. Willard of the Methodist church will make an address and special arrangements for a number of choice musical selections have been made.

WILL ENLARGE THE SCHOOL.

An Improvement Which Will be Made by the Congregation of St. James German Catholic Church.

Architect R. O. Rosen is drawing the plans for an improvement which will be made to the parish school of St. James German Catholic church. The school building now used is not large enough to accommodate the scholars and the church is contemplating enlarging the place The plans which Mr. Rosen is drawing are for an addition 54x48 feet to be erected at the back of and adjoining the present school building. It will be of frame and will have two stories with a basement. On the first floor will be a large school room 24x25 feet. The east portion of the same floor will be fitted as apartments for the teachers of the school There will be three good bedrooms, a kitchen, pantry and bathroom. On the second floor there will be a large hall with a stage at one end where entertainments and socials can be held. The second floor of the old school building will be thrown into the main auditorium thus making a room with a seating capacity of about 400 In the basement there will be a club room fitted with bowling alley, billiard tables and gymnasium. The building will be heated with a furnace. The improvement as it is now planned will cost about $3000.

D. S. Shellabarger for Member of School Board.

In another part of this paper appears the announcement of Hon. D. S. Shellabarger for re-election as a member of the school board at the coming election. Mr. Shellabarger needs no introduction to the people of Decatur. He is one of our safe conservative and successful business men and possesses the kind of ability necessary for the handling and dispensing of the large sum of money expended every year in Decatur for our public schools. Mr. Shellabarger has been on the board two terms during which time the high school building has been enlarged and several new school buildings have been built. So well and carefully has this been done by Mr. Shellabarger and colleagues that no complaint has come from the people and taxpayers. His election for another term, judging by his past services will be in the interest of the schools and the people.

Take Notice.

We will put on sale Tuesday morning, May 25, at 8 o'clock 1500 yards of genuine tulle de Nord gingham, new goods direct from the mill, at 5 cents a yard, sold the world over at ten cents. S. G. Hatch & Bros., 151 East Main street.

Better Than Nothing.

Clara—She is an awfully thoughtful girl.

Tom Barry—Indeed?

Yes. Why, she has trimmed her new [illegible] with a pair of our [illegible]

PERSONAL MENTION.

—Mrs. Joe Alexander went to Chicago this morning.

—Elmer Wood went to Chicago yesterday on business.

—H. H. Clark is home from a business trip to Kansas.

—Arthur Gallagher was here from Springfield Sunday.

—John D. Hinkle, who has been seriously ill, is recovering.

—J. W. Weigand is slowly recovering from his attack of pneumonia.

—W. R. Scruggs left for St. Louis Sunday afternoon on a visit.

—Attorney John T. Fitzgerald visited friends in Bethany Sunday.

—R. E. Pratt of Chicago, visited in the city Sunday with his brother, F. M. Pratt.

—Mrs. A. W Conklin went to Chicago this morning on business for the Cunningham Orphans' Home.

—Will Karr, who has been in the city during the past winter, will leave tomorrow for his home in Tennessee.

—Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Penhallegon, who have been out of the city for the past week, arrived home this afternoon.

—W. A Truax will leave for Attica, Ind., tomorrow to receive treatment for rheumatism at Hamler's mud bath sanitarium

—Elmer Birks, who has been in Iowa and Indiana for many months, arrived home Saturday and will remain home for an indefinite period.

ANNIVERSARY SERVICES.

Interesting Exercises Held Sunday Afternoon at the College Street Chapel.

The services held Sunday afternoon at the College street chapel to celebrate the tenth anniversary of the organization of the church were largely attended. Speeches were made by a number of persons who have been associated with the church and the exercises were of an interesting nature. Rev. W. H. Prestley, who was pastor of the church when the chapel was organized, made an address. W. R. Scruggs told of the building of the chapel. The chapel was bought from the congregation of the German Methodist church. J. K Warren gave the lot on which the chapel stands and also paid the expenses of moving the building. Miss Jessie Darling who was one of the four first pupils of the Sunday school told her experiences in the early life of the chapel. A. H. Mills spoke of the progress of the chapel while the late R. G. Wells was superintendent, and P. P Laughlin, the superintendent of the Westminster Sunday school gave a greeting from that body. . H. Heilman and W. D. Lewis, representatives of the session, both made remarks, and Attorney Webber and George Battles also spoke.

Miss Lula Jones gave a history of the chapel. It was organized on May 25, 1887, by W. T. Evans. The first meeting was held at the residence of Mrs. W. O. Jones on North Church street. There were four pupils at the Sunday school but the next Sunday there were twenty-eight pupils A little three room house on West King street was then rented and the Sunday school was held there. On Dec 26, the same year, the chapel was opened. Mr Evans resigned the position of superintendent and R. G. Wells was elected to fill his place. He held the position of superintendent until his death and the progress made by the Sunday school was largely due to his efforts. K. Love is the present superintendent. The Sunday school now has a membership of nearly 200 young people and the chapel to which an addition was built a few years ago is again too small to accommodate the large numbers in attendance.

ENDEAVOR PEOPLE AT MT. ZION.

Account of the Convention Held on Sunday at the C. P. Church.

The Christian Endeavor convention held at the Cumberland Presbyterian church at Mt. Zion Sunday was a wonderfully inspiring and refreshing affair. Miss Carrie Knapp of Decatur, county C. E president, presided, and did much toward making the convention such a success There was a large number of C. E. people out from Decatur, twenty-four being from the Baptist society which was the largest representation from any one society. Rev. Spayd of the U B. church at Decatur, was present and gave a most interesting talk in the afternoon on junior work. Among others from Decatur who contributed much to the success of the meeting was Miss Ethel Hancock, county president of mission work who spoke on the subject of missions, Miss Powers, Mr. Taylor, Mr. Deck, Clifton Johnson, jr., and a number of others.

The societies of North Fork, Casner, New Hope and Prairie all were also well represented and came with well prepared and interesting papers on the topics assigned. The programs published in Saturday's Republicans followed out Some of the speakers were not present to lead their subjects, but Miss Knapp found able and efficient substitutes as she called them, to supply the places. Meetings of this character are to be held by the county C. E. officers throughout the county.

Golden Wedding.

Mr. and Mrs. T. B. King of this city, were at Lawrence, Kansas, recently to attend the gold wedding of Judge and Mrs. John Charlton, parents of Mrs. Ewing. A feature of the rare celebration was the marriage of Miss Mary Charlton and I. D. Stewart, the ceremony being performed by Judge Charlton, father of the bride The children of the venerable couple presented a purse of gold to Mr. Ewing during the speech The [illegible]

WENT OVER AND CAME BACK.

Decatur High School Athletes Not Swift Enough at Champaign.

Saturday afternoon the tested students of various high schools in the state engaged in a competitive field day meet at Champaign and the event attracted a large and enthusiastic assemblage of young men, whose friends in full force made up the audience. Decatur was in the push up to the starting point in many of the events, but after that period they were not heard of. They did their best but were outclassed and didn't score a point The students from the schools in Chicago and other cities where gymnasiums and instructors are connected with the institutions won the honors and the prizes. The Decatur team consisted of C. Record, W Starling, F Ludwig, S Covington, Bry Vail, Jas Cloker, A Meyers and E Odor. They wore the Decatur colors, red, as did also the members of the Decatur high school faculty and all visitors from this city If Decatur did not win a point, the city by its large representation was seen and heard in a creditable manner. The schools that scored points in the contests were Englewood, 23, Duquoin, 20, Hyde Park 17 East Aurora, 14; Lake View, 13, West Aurora, 10 Lewiston, 8, LaGrange, 6, Savannah, 5, Pontiac, 5, Rockford, 4 Canton 3, Champaign 1, Urbana, 1 Other high schools represented were Decatur Bloomington, Springfield, Peoria Centralia, Newman, Tuscola, Paxton Danville, Arcola, Rantoul, Chicago Normal Farmer City, Freeport, Charleston Bushnell, LaGrange and Lincoln

The medals awarded the victors were gold, silver and bronze and were handsome The card included bicycle races, running, walking, pole vaulting standing broad jump, running jump, putting the shot throwing the hammer, high and low hurdles. The day closed with a ball game on the 'varsity campus between the 'varsity nine and Englewood in which the latter were beaten In the mile bicycle race Bryant Vail of Decatur came in fourth. He finished in a bunch with two others, hard to tell which was second, third and fourth Freeman of Aurora, won in 2 02½ Protests were filed Possibly Decatur will get a place in that contest

A NOTABLE MEETING

The Annual June Institute of the Illinois Methodist Conference

Preparations have been under way for several months for the holding in Jacksonville of the annual ministerial institute of the Illinois conference Probably 150 pastors of Methodist churches in central Illinois will meet in the Centenary church June 22 24 as the guests of Jacksonville Methodism. The sessions will last three days beginning on Tuesday, June 2, and closing the following Thursday night. The work will include the examination of more than 100 young preachers who are pursuing the conference courses of study, together with many fine addresses and discussions The brightest men of the conference and of the church generally will be present Three session will be held daily, the afternoons and evenings being given to the general public, the mornings to examinations Among the distinguished lecturers will be Dr. Berry of the Epworth Herald Dr Bowman of the Central Advocate Dr Frank Crane of Trinity church Chicago and especially Bishop Charles H Fowler of New York, who will deliver his famous lecture on Abraham Lincoln concerning which the press and the critics of the country unite in declaring that it is possibly the finest lecture from the American platform.

In Memoriam

Died at her home in Niantic May 20 1897. Ella Magdeline daughter of Henry Shrader. She was born March 12 1870 She has been for three and one half years a member of the Christian church she was ready to die almost her last words being "I'm going home to mother" She died trusting in Jesus She was housekeeper for her father and brother who are left heartbroken to mourn the loss of a dear daughter and sister Funeral services took place at Sanders church Friday afternoon the services being conducted by Elder Ennefer of the Christian church There were several beautiful floral offerings and many tears of sympathy were shed by friends of the deceased.

She has gone to meet the loved ones
Never more from them to roam,
She has crossed the silent river
She's with mother safe at home

Program for Teachers Meeting Saturday, May 29, 1897

General discussion of plans for next year's work in the schools of Macon county. Tenth year work music and drawing will be discussed

Garden Seeds

Just received a large stock of all kinds of D. M. Ferry & Co's fresh bulk garden seeds, at the Spencer & Lehman Co's. jan9-2d&wtf

Cigars, Cigars.

Havanettas.....	100 for $1 75
Little Diana.....	100 for $1.50
	5 for 10

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